### CHAPTER 7

7.1. Write (with probability approaching one)

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \boldsymbol{\beta} + \left( N^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{X}'_{i} \mathbf{X}_{i} \right)^{-1} \left( N^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{X}'_{i} \mathbf{u}_{i} \right).$$

From SOLS.2, the weak law of large numbers, and Slutsky's Theorem,

$$plim \left( N^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{X}_{i}' \mathbf{X}_{i} \right)^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}.$$

Further, under SOLS.1, the WLLN implies that plim  $\left(N^{-1}\sum_{i=1}^{N}\mathbf{X}_{i}^{\prime}\mathbf{u}_{i}\right)=\mathbf{0}$ . Thus,

$$\text{plim } \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \boldsymbol{\beta} + \text{plim } \left( N^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{X}_{i}' \mathbf{X}_{i} \right)^{-1} \cdot \text{plim } \left( N^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{X}_{i}' \mathbf{u}_{i} \right) = \boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{0} = \boldsymbol{\beta}.$$

7.3. a. Since OLS equation-by-equation is the same as GLS when  $\Omega$  is diagonal, it suffices to show that the GLS estimators for different equations are asymptotically uncorrelated. This follows if the asymptotic variance matrix is block diagonal (see Section 3.5), where the blocking is by the parameter vector for each equation. To establish block diagonality, we use the result from Theorem 7.4: under SGLS.1, SGLS.2, and SGLS.3,

Avar 
$$\sqrt{N}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta}) = [E(\mathbf{X}_{1}'\Omega^{-1}\mathbf{X}_{1})]^{-1}$$
.

Now, we can use the special form of  $\mathbf{X}_i$  for SUR (see Example 7.1), the fact that  $\mathbf{\Omega}^{-1}$  is diagonal, and SGLS.3. In the SUR model with diagonal  $\mathbf{\Omega}$ , SGLS.3 implies that  $\mathbf{E}(u_{ig}^2\mathbf{x}_{ig}'\mathbf{x}_{ig}) = \sigma_g^2\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}_{ig}'\mathbf{x}_{ig})$  for all  $g=1,\ldots,G$ , and

 $\text{E}\left(u_{\text{ig}}u_{\text{ih}}\mathbf{x}_{\text{ig}}^{\prime}\mathbf{x}_{\text{ih}}\right) \ = \ \text{E}\left(u_{\text{ig}}u_{\text{ih}}\right) \\ \text{E}\left(\mathbf{x}_{\text{ig}}^{\prime}\mathbf{x}_{\text{ih}}\right) \ = \ \mathbf{0}\text{, all } g \neq h. \quad \text{Therefore, we have}$ 

$$\mathbb{E}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{1}^{\prime}\boldsymbol{\Omega}^{-1}\boldsymbol{x}_{1}^{\phantom{\prime}}\right) \ = \left(\begin{matrix} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{1}^{-2}\mathbb{E}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{11}^{\prime}\boldsymbol{x}_{11}^{\phantom{\prime}}\right) & \boldsymbol{0} & & \boldsymbol{0} \\ & \boldsymbol{0} & & & \\ & & \boldsymbol{\cdot} & & \boldsymbol{0} \\ & & & \boldsymbol{\cdot} & & \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{G}^{-2}\mathbb{E}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{1G}^{\prime}\boldsymbol{x}_{1G}^{\phantom{\prime}}\right) \end{matrix}\right).$$

When this matrix is inverted, it is also block diagonal. This shows that the asymptotic variance of what we wanted to show.

b. To test any linear hypothesis, we can either construct the Wald statistic or we can use the weighted sum of squared residuals form of the statistic as in (7.52) or (7.53). For the restricted SSR we must estimate the model with the restriction  $\boldsymbol{\beta}_1 = \boldsymbol{\beta}_2$  imposed. See Problem 7.6 for one way to impose general linear restrictions.

c. When  $\Omega$  is diagonal in a SUR system, system OLS and GLS are the same. Under SGLS.1 and SGLS.2, GLS and FGLS are asymptotically equivalent (regardless of the structure of  $\Omega$ ) whether or not SGLS.3 holds. But, if  $\hat{\pmb{\beta}}_{\text{SOLS}} = \hat{\pmb{\beta}}_{\text{GLS}}$  and  $\sqrt{N}(\hat{\pmb{\beta}}_{\text{FGLS}} - \hat{\pmb{\beta}}_{\text{GLS}}) = o_p(1)$ , then  $\sqrt{N}(\hat{\pmb{\beta}}_{\text{SOLS}} - \hat{\pmb{\beta}}_{\text{FGLS}}) = o_p(1)$ . Thus, when  $\Omega$  is diagonal, OLS and FGLS are asymptotically equivalent, even if  $\hat{\Omega}$  is estimated in an unrestricted fashion and even if the system homoskedasticity assumption SGLS.3 does not hold.

7.5. This is easy with the hint. Note that

$$\left[ \hat{\boldsymbol{\Omega}}^{-1} \otimes \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{N} \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}_{i} \right] \right]^{-1} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\Omega}} \otimes \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{N} \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}_{i} \right]^{-1}.$$

Therefore,

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\Omega}} \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{x}_{i}' \mathbf{x}_{i}\right)^{-1}\right) (\hat{\boldsymbol{\Omega}}^{-1} \otimes \mathbf{I}_{K}) \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{x}_{i}' y_{i1} \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{x}_{i}' y_{iG} \end{pmatrix} = \left(\mathbf{I}_{G} \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{x}_{i}' \mathbf{x}_{i}\right)^{-1}\right) \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{x}_{i}' y_{i1} \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{x}_{i}' y_{iG} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Straightforward multiplication shows that the right hand side of the equation is just the vector of stacked  $\hat{\beta}_g$ ,  $g=1,\ldots,G$ . where  $\hat{\beta}_g$  is the OLS estimator for equation g.

7.7. a. First, the diagonal elements of  $\Omega$  are easily found since  $\mathrm{E}(u_{\mathrm{it}}^2) = \mathrm{E}[\mathrm{E}(u_{\mathrm{it}}^2|\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{it}})] = \sigma_{\mathrm{t}}^2$  by iterated expectations. Now, consider  $\mathrm{E}(u_{\mathrm{it}}u_{\mathrm{is}})$ , and

take s < t without loss of generality. Under (7.79),  $\mathrm{E}(u_{\mathrm{it}}|u_{\mathrm{is}}) = 0$  since  $u_{\mathrm{is}}$  is a subset of the conditioning information in (7.80). Applying the law of iterated expectations (LIE) again we have  $\mathrm{E}(u_{\mathrm{it}}u_{\mathrm{is}}) = \mathrm{E}[\mathrm{E}(u_{\mathrm{it}}u_{\mathrm{is}}|u_{\mathrm{is}})] = \mathrm{E}[\mathrm{E}(u_{\mathrm{it}}|u_{\mathrm{is}})u_{\mathrm{is}})] = 0$ .

b. The GLS estimator is

$$\boldsymbol{\beta}^{\star} \equiv \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{\Omega}^{-1} \mathbf{X}_{i}\right)^{-1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{\Omega}^{-1} \mathbf{y}_{i}\right)$$

$$= \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \sigma_{t}^{-2} \mathbf{X}_{it}^{\prime} \mathbf{x}_{it}\right)^{-1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \sigma_{t}^{-2} \mathbf{X}_{it}^{\prime} \mathbf{y}_{it}\right).$$

c. If, say,  $y_{\rm it} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 y_{\rm i,t-1} + u_{\rm it}$ , then  $y_{\rm it}$  is clearly correlated with  $u_{\rm it}$ , which says that  $\mathbf{x}_{\rm i,t+1} = y_{\rm it}$  is correlated with  $u_{\rm it}$ . Thus, SGLS.1 does not hold. Generally, SGLS.1 holds whenever there is feedback from  $y_{\rm it}$  to  $\mathbf{x}_{\rm is}$ , s > t. However, since  $\mathbf{\Omega}^{-1}$  is diagonal,  $\mathbf{X}_{\rm i}'\mathbf{\Omega}^{-1}\mathbf{u}_{\rm i} = \sum_{\rm t=1}^{\rm T} \mathbf{x}_{\rm it}'\mathbf{\sigma}_{\rm t}^{-2}u_{\rm it}$ , and so  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{X}_{\rm i}'\mathbf{\Omega}^{-1}\mathbf{u}_{\rm i}) = \sum_{\rm t=1}^{\rm T} \sigma_{\rm t}^{-2}\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}_{\rm it}'\mathbf{u}_{\rm it}) = \mathbf{0}$ 

since  $E(\mathbf{x}'_{it}u_{it}) = \mathbf{0}$  under (7.80). Thus, GLS is consistent in this case without SGLS.1.

d. First, since  $\boldsymbol{\Omega}^{-1}$  is diagonal,  $\mathbf{X}_{i}^{\prime}\boldsymbol{\Omega}^{-1} = (\sigma_{1}^{-2}\mathbf{x}_{i1}^{\prime}, \sigma_{2}^{-2}\mathbf{x}_{i2}^{\prime}, \ldots, \sigma_{T}^{-2}\mathbf{x}_{iT}^{\prime})^{\prime}$ , and so

$$\mathbb{E}\left(\mathbf{X}_{\mathtt{i}}^{\prime}\boldsymbol{\Omega}^{-1}\mathbf{u}_{\mathtt{i}}\mathbf{u}_{\mathtt{i}}^{\prime}\boldsymbol{\Omega}^{-1}\mathbf{X}_{\mathtt{i}}\right) = \sum_{\mathtt{t}=1}^{\mathtt{T}}\sum_{\mathtt{s}=1}^{\mathtt{T}}\sigma_{\mathtt{t}}^{-2}\sigma_{\mathtt{s}}^{-2}\mathbb{E}\left(u_{\mathtt{i}\mathtt{t}}u_{\mathtt{i}\mathtt{s}}\mathbf{x}_{\mathtt{i}\mathtt{t}}^{\prime}\mathbf{x}_{\mathtt{i}\mathtt{s}}\right).$$

First consider the terms for s  $\neq$  t. Under (7.80), if s < t,

 $E(u_{it}|\mathbf{x}_{it},u_{is},\mathbf{x}_{is})=0$ , and so by the LIE,  $E(u_{it}u_{is}\mathbf{x}_{it}'\mathbf{x}_{is})=\mathbf{0}$ ,  $t\neq s$ . Next, for each t,

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{E}\left(u_{\mathrm{it}}^{2}\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{it}}^{\prime}\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{it}}\right) &= \mathbf{E}\left[\mathbf{E}\left(u_{\mathrm{it}}^{2}\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{it}}^{\prime}\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{it}}\big|\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{it}}\right)\right] &= \mathbf{E}\left[\mathbf{E}\left(u_{\mathrm{it}}^{2}\big|\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{it}}\right)\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{it}}^{\prime}\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{it}}\right)\right] \\ &= \mathbf{E}\left[\sigma_{\mathrm{t}}^{2}\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{it}}^{\prime}\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{it}}\right] &= \sigma_{\mathrm{t}}^{2}\mathbf{E}\left(\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{it}}^{\prime}\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{it}}\right), \quad t = 1, 2, \dots, T. \end{split}$$

It follows that

$$\mathbb{E}\left(\boldsymbol{X}_{\text{i}}^{\prime}\boldsymbol{\Omega}^{-1}\boldsymbol{u}_{\text{i}}\boldsymbol{u}_{\text{i}}^{\prime}\boldsymbol{\Omega}^{-1}\boldsymbol{X}_{\text{i}}\right) = \sum_{t=1}^{T}\sigma_{t}^{-2}\mathbb{E}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{\text{i}t}^{\prime}\boldsymbol{x}_{\text{i}t}\right) = \mathbb{E}\left(\boldsymbol{X}_{\text{i}}^{\prime}\boldsymbol{\Omega}^{-1}\boldsymbol{X}_{\text{i}}\right).$$

e. First, run pooled regression across all i and t; let  $u_{\rm it}$  denote the pooled OLS residuals. Then, for each t, define

$$\hat{\sigma}_{t}^{2} = N^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \hat{u}_{it}^{2}$$

(We might replace N with N - K as a degrees-of-freedom adjustment.) Then, by standard arguments,  $\hat{\sigma}_t^2 \stackrel{p}{\to} \sigma_t^2$  as N  $\to \infty$ .

f. We have verified the assumptions under which standard FGLS statistics have nice properties (although we relaxed SGLS.1). In particular, standard errors obtained from (7.51) are asymptotically valid, and F statistics from (7.53) are valid. Now, if  $\hat{\Omega}$  is taken to be the diagonal matrix with  $\hat{\sigma}_{\rm t}^2$  as the  $t^{\rm th}$  diagonal, then the FGLS statistics are easily shown to be identical to the statistics obtained by performing pooled OLS on the equation

$$(y_{it}/\hat{\sigma}_t) = (\mathbf{x}_{it}/\hat{\sigma}_t)\boldsymbol{\beta} + error_{it}, t = 1, 2, \dots, T, i = 1, \dots, N.$$

We can obtain valid standard errors, t statistics, and F statistics from this weighted least squares analysis. For F testing, note that the  $\hat{\sigma}_t^2$  should be obtained from the pooled OLS residuals for the unrestricted model.

g. If  $\sigma_t^2 = \sigma^2$  for all t = 1, ..., T, inference is very easy. FGLS reduces to pooled OLS. Thus, we can use the standard errors and test statistics reported by a standard OLS regression pooled across i and t.

7.9. The Stata session follows. I first test for serial correlation before computing the fully robust standard errors:

. reg lscrap d89 grant grant\_1 lscrap\_1 if year != 1987

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs =	108
+				F(4, 103) =	153.67
Model	186.376973	4	46.5942432	Prob > F =	0.0000
Residual	31.2296502	103	.303200488	R-squared =	0.8565
+				Adj R-squared =	0.8509
Total	217.606623	107	2.03370676	Root MSE =	.55064

lscrap	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
d89   grant   grant_1   lscrap_1   _cons	1153893	.1199127	-0.962	0.338	3532078 .1224292
	1723924	.1257443	-1.371	0.173	4217765 .0769918
	1073226	.1610378	-0.666	0.507	426703 .2120579
	.8808216	.0357963	24.606	0.000	.809828 .9518152
	0371354	.0883283	-0.420	0.675	2123137 .138043

The estimated effect of grant, and its lag, are now the expected sign, but neither is strongly statistically significant. The variable grant would be if we use a 10% significance level and a one-sided test. The results are certainly different from when we omit the lag of log(scrap).

Now test for AR(1) serial correlation:

- . predict uhat, resid
  (363 missing values generated)
- . gen uhat\_1 = uhat[\_n-1] if d89 (417 missing values generated)
- . reg lscrap grant grant\_1 lscrap\_1 uhat\_1 if d89

Source		SS	df	MS	Number of obs =	54
	+-				F(4, 49) = 73	.47
Model		94.4746525	4	23.6186631	Prob > F = 0.0	000
Residual		15.7530202	49	.321490208	R-squared = 0.8	571
	+-				Adj $R$ -squared = 0.8	454
Total		110.227673	53	2.07976741	Root MSE $=$ .	567

lscrap	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
grant   grant_1   lscrap_1   uhat_1   _cons	.01650890276544 .9204706 .2790328232525	.215732 .1746251 .0571831 .1576739 .1146314	0.077 -0.158 16.097 1.770 -2.028	0.939 0.875 0.000 0.083 0.048	4170208 3785767 .8055569 0378247 4628854	.4500385 .3232679 1.035384 .5958904 0021646

. reg lscrap d89 grant grant\_1 lscrap\_1 if year != 1987, robust cluster(fcode)

Regression with robust standard errors

Number of obs = 108F( 4, 53) = 77.24Prob > F = 0.0000

R-squared = 0.8565 Root MSE = .55064

Number	οf	clusters	(fcode)	=	54

lscrap	Coef.	Robust Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
d89	+  1153893	.1145118	-1.01	0.318	3450708	.1142922
grant	1723924	.1188807	-1.45	0.153	4108369	.0660522
grant_1	1073226	.1790052	-0.60	0.551	4663616	.2517165
lscrap_1	.8808216	.0645344	13.65	0.000	.7513821	1.010261
_cons	0371354	.0893147	-0.42	0.679	216278	.1420073

The robust standard errors for grant and  $grant_{-1}$  are actually smaller than the usual ones, making both more statistically significant. However, grant and  $grant_{-1}$  are jointly insignificant:

- . test grant grant\_1
- (1) grant = 0.0
- $(2) grant_1 = 0.0$

$$F(2, 53) = 1.14$$
  
 $Prob > F = 0.3266$ 

7.11. a. The following Stata output should be self-explanatory. There is strong evidence of positive serial correlation in the static model, and the fully robust standard errors are much larger than the nonrobust ones.

. reg lcrmrte lprbarr lprbconv lprbpris lavgsen lpolpc d82-d87

Source	SS 	df 	MS 		Number of obs = $630$ F(11, $618$ ) = $74.49$
Model   Residual   + Total	117.644669 88.735673 	11 10.6 618 .143	949699 585231		Prob > F = 0.0000 R-squared = 0.5700 Adj R-squared = 0.5624 Root MSE = .37893
lcrmrte	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
lprbarr   lprbconv   lprbpris	7195033	.0367657 .0263683 .0672268	-19.570 -20.694 3.682	0.000 0.000 0.000	79170426473024 59744134938765 .1155314 .3795728

lavgsen	0867575	.0579205	-1.498	0.135	2005023	.0269872
lpolpc	.3659886	.0300252	12.189	0.000	.3070248	.4249525
d82	.0051371	.057931	0.089	0.929	1086284	.1189026
d83	043503	.0576243	-0.755	0.451	1566662	.0696601
d84	1087542	.057923	-1.878	0.061	222504	.0049957
d85	0780454	.0583244	-1.338	0.181	1925835	.0364927
d86	0420791	.0578218	-0.728	0.467	15563	.0714718
d87	0270426	.056899	-0.475	0.635	1387815	.0846963
_cons	-2.082293	.2516253	-8.275	0.000	-2.576438	-1.588149

- . predict uhat, resid
- . gen uhat\_1 = uhat[\_n-1] if year > 81
  (90 missing values generated)
- . reg uhat uhat\_1

	l SS		MS		Number of obs	
Model Residual	+	1 46.6 538 .056	6680407 6127934		F( 1, 538) Prob > F R-squared Adj R-squared	= 0.0000 = 0.6071
	76.8648693				Root MSE	= .23691
uhat	   Coef.		_	1 - 1	[95% Conf.	Interval]
	.7918085	.02746	28.835	0.000	.7378666 0200271	.8457504

Because of the strong serial correlation, I obtain the fully robust standard errors:

. reg lcrmrte lprbarr lprbconv lprbpris lavgsen lpolpc d82-d87, robust cluster(county)

Regression wit	h robust star		Number of obs	=	630		
		F( 11, 89)	=	37.19			
		Prob > F	=	0.0000			
					R-squared	=	0.5700
Number of clus	ters (county)	= 90			Root MSE	=	.37893
1		Robust					
lcrmrte	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	In	terval]
+							
lprbarr	7195033	.1095979	-6.56	0.000	9372719		5017347

lprbconv	5456589	.0704368	-7.75	0.000	6856152	4057025
lprbpris	.2475521	.1088453	2.27	0.025	.0312787	.4638255
lavgsen	0867575	.1130321	-0.77	0.445	3113499	.1378348
lpolpc	.3659886	.121078	3.02	0.003	.1254092	.6065681
d82	.0051371	.0367296	0.14	0.889	0678438	.0781181
d83	043503	.033643	-1.29	0.199	1103509	.0233448
d84	1087542	.0391758	-2.78	0.007	1865956	0309127
d85	0780454	.0385625	-2.02	0.046	1546683	0014224
d86	0420791	.0428788	-0.98	0.329	1272783	.0431201
d87	0270426	.0381447	-0.71	0.480	1028353	.0487502
_cons	-2.082293	.8647054	-2.41	0.018	-3.800445	3641423

- . drop uhat uhat\_1
  - b. We lose the first year, 1981, when we add the lag of log(crmrte):
- . gen  $lcrmrt_1 = lcrmrte[_n-1]$  if year > 81 (90 missing values generated)
- . reg lcrmrte lprbarr lprbconv lprbpris lavgsen lpolpc d83-d87 lcrmrt\_1

Source		SS	df	MS	Number of obs $=$	540
	+-				F( 11, 528) =	464.68
Model		163.287174	11	14.8442885	Prob > F =	0.0000
Residual		16.8670945	528	.031945255	R-squared =	0.9064
	+-				Adj R-squared =	0.9044
Total	1	180.154268	539	.334237975	Root MSE =	.17873

lprbconv  1285118       .0165096       -7.784       0.000      1609444      09607         lprbpris  0107492       .0345003       -0.312       0.755      078524       .05702         lavgsen  1152298       .030387       -3.792       0.000      174924      05553         lpolpc   .101492       .0164261       6.179       0.000       .0692234       .13376							
lprbconv  1285118       .0165096       -7.784       0.000      1609444      09607         lprbpris  0107492       .0345003       -0.312       0.755      078524       .05702         lavgsen  1152298       .030387       -3.792       0.000      174924      05553         lpolpc   .101492       .0164261       6.179       0.000       .0692234       .13376	lcrmrte	mrte   Co	oef. Std. Err	. t	P> t	[95% Cont	. Interval]
d85  0085982 .0268172 -0.321 0.7490612797 .04408 d86   .0420159 .026896 1.562 0.1190108203 .09485 d87   .0671272 .0271816 2.470 0.014 .0137298 .12052	lprbconv   lprbpris   lavgsen   lpolpc   d83   d84   d85   d86   d87	conv  1285 pris  0107 gsen  1152 olpc   .101 d83  0649 d84  0536 d85  0085 d86   .0420 d87   .0671	.0165096 7492 .0345003 2298 .030387 1492 .0164261 9438 .0267299 6882 .0267623 5982 .0268172 0159 .026896 1272 .0271816	-7.784 -0.312 -3.792 6.179 -2.430 -2.006 -0.321 1.562 2.470	0.000 0.755 0.000 0.005 0.015 0.045 0.749 0.119 0.014	1609444 078524 174924 .0692234 1174537 1062619 0612797 0108203 .0137298	1217691 0960793 .0570255 0555355 .1337606 0124338 0011145 .0440833 .0948522 .1205245 .8637879
_cons  0304828 .1324195 -0.230 0.8182906166 .2296	_cons	cons  0304	1324195	-0.230	0.818	2906166	.229651

Not surprisingly, the lagged crime rate is very significant. Further, including it makes all other coefficients much smaller in magnitude. The

variable  $\log(prbpris)$  now has a negative sign, although it is insignificant. We still get a positive relationship between size of police force and crime rate, however.

- c. There is no evidence of serial correlation in the model with a lagged dependent variable:
- . predict uhat, resid
  (90 missing values generated)
- . gen uhat\_1 = uhat[\_n-1] if year > 82
  (180 missing values generated)
- . reg lcrmrte lprbarr lprbconv lprbpris lavgsen lpolpc d84-d87 lcrmrt\_1 uhat\_1 From this regression the coefficient on  $uhat_{-1}$  is only -.059 with t statistic -.986, which means that there is little evidence of serial correlation (especially since  $\hat{\rho}$  is practically small). Thus, I will not correct the standard errors.
- d. None of the log(wage) variables is statistically significant, and the magnitudes are pretty small in all cases:
- . reg lcrmrte lprbarr lprbconv lprbpris lavgsen lpolpc d83-d87 lcrmrt $_1$  lwcon-lwloc

Source		SS	df	MS	Number of obs =	540
	+-				F(20, 519) =	255.32
Model		163.533423	20	8.17667116	Prob > F =	0.0000
Residual		16.6208452	519	.03202475	R-squared =	0.9077
	+-				Adj R-squared =	0.9042
Total		180.154268	539	.334237975	Root MSE =	.17895

lcrmrte	Coe	ef. Std. Err	. t	P> t	[95% Conf	. Interval]
lprbarr	17460	.0238458	-7.322	0.000	2214516	1277591
lprbconv	13377	.0169096	-7.911	0.000	166991	1005518
lprbpris	01953	.0352873	-0.554	0.580	0888553	.0497918
lavgsen	11089	.0311719	-3.557	0.000	1721313	049654
lpolpc	.10507	.0172627	6.087	0.000	.071157	.1389838
d83	07292	.0286922	-2.542	0.011	1292903	0165559
d84	06524	.0287165	-2.272	0.023	1216644	0088345

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d85 | -.0258059 .0326156
                                   -0.791 0.429
                                                        -.0898807
                                                                      .038269
    d86 | .0263763 .0371746
d87 | .0465632 .0418004
ct_1 | .8087768 .0208067
                                    0.710 0.478
1.114 0.266
                                                                      .0994076
                                                         -.0466549
                                                         -.0355555
                                                                      .1286819
                                                                      .8496525
                                    38.871 0.000
lcrmrt_1 |
                                                          .767901
                                   -0.721 0.471
   lwcon | -.0283133 .0392516
                                                         -.1054249
                                                                      .0487983
   lwtuc | -.0034567 .0223995
                                   -0.154 0.877
                                                         -.0474615
                                                                      .0405482
          .0121236 .0439875
                                     0.276 0.783
                                                         -.0742918
                                                                       .098539
   lwtrd |
            .0296003 .0318995
  lwfir |
                                     0.928 0.354
                                                         -.0330676
                                                                      .0922683
  lwser | .012903 .0221872
lwmfg | -.0409046 .0389325
lwfed | .1070534 .0798526
                                     0.582 0.561
                                                         -.0306847
                                                                      .0564908
                                    -1.051
                                            0.294
                                                         -.1173893
                                                                      .0355801
                                                                      .2639275
                                     1.341 0.181
                                                         -.0498207
   lwsta | -.0903894 .0660699
                                    -1.368 0.172
                                                         -.2201867
                                                                      .039408
  lwloc | .0961124 .1003172
                                     0.958 0.338
                                                        -.1009652
                                                                        .29319
   _cons | -.6438061 .6335887
                                     -1.016 0.310
                                                         -1.88852
                                                                      .6009076
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. test lwcon lwtuc lwtrd lwfir lwser lwmfg lwfed lwsta lwloc

- (1) lwcon = 0.0
- (2) lwtuc = 0.0
- (3) lwtrd = 0.0
- (4) lwfir = 0.0
- (5) lwser = 0.0
- $(6) \quad lwmfg = 0.0$
- (7) lwfed = 0.0
- (8) lwsta = 0.0
- (9) lwloc = 0.0

$$F(9, 519) = 0.85$$
  
 $Prob > F = 0.5663$ 

### CHAPTER 8

8.1. Letting  $Q(\mathbf{b})$  denote the objective function in (8.23), it follows from multivariable calculus that

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{b})'}{\partial \mathbf{b}'} = -2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{Z}'_{i} \mathbf{X}_{i} \right)' \hat{\mathbf{W}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{Z}'_{i} (\mathbf{y}_{i} - \mathbf{X}_{i} \mathbf{b}) \right).$$

Evaluating the derivative at the solution  $\hat{oldsymbol{eta}}$  gives

$$\left( \sum_{\texttt{i}=1}^{\texttt{N}} \textbf{Z}_{\texttt{i}}^{\, \prime} \textbf{X}_{\texttt{i}} \right)^{\, \prime} \, \overset{\wedge}{\textbf{W}} \left( \sum_{\texttt{i}=1}^{\texttt{N}} \textbf{Z}_{\texttt{i}}^{\, \prime} \, \left( \textbf{y}_{\texttt{i}} - \textbf{X}_{\texttt{i}} \overset{\wedge}{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \right) \right) \ = \ \textbf{0} \, .$$

In terms of full data matrices, we can write, after simple algebra,

$$(\mathbf{X}' \mathbf{Z} \hat{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{Z}' \mathbf{X}) \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}' \mathbf{Z} \hat{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{Z}' \mathbf{Y}).$$

Solving for  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$  gives (8.24).

8.3. First, we can always write  $\mathbf{x}$  as its linear projection plus an error:  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^* + \mathbf{e}$ , where  $\mathbf{x}^* = \mathbf{z} \mathbf{\Pi}$  and  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{z}'\mathbf{e}) = \mathbf{0}$ . Therefore,  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{z}'\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{z}'\mathbf{x}^*)$ , which verifies the first part of the hint. To verify the second step, let  $\mathbf{h} \equiv \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z})$ , and write the linear projection as

$$L(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{z},\mathbf{h}) = \mathbf{z}\Pi_1 + \mathbf{h}\Pi_2,$$

where  $\Pi_1$  is  $M \times K$  and  $\Pi_2$  is  $Q \times K$ . Then we must show that  $\Pi_2 = \mathbf{0}$ . But, from the two-step projection theorem (see Property LP.7 in Chapter 2),

 $\Pi_2 = \left[ \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{s's}) \right]^{-1} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{s'r})$ , where  $\mathbf{s} \equiv \mathbf{h} - \mathbf{L}(\mathbf{h}|\mathbf{z})$  and  $\mathbf{r} \equiv \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{L}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z})$ . Now, by the assumption that  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{L}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z})$ ,  $\mathbf{r}$  is also equal to  $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z})$ . Therefore,  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}|\mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{0}$ , and so  $\mathbf{r}$  is uncorrelated with all functions of  $\mathbf{z}$ . But  $\mathbf{s}$  is simply a function of  $\mathbf{z}$  since  $\mathbf{h} \equiv \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z})$ . Therefore,  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{s'r}) = \mathbf{0}$ , and this shows that  $\Pi_2 = \mathbf{0}$ .

8.5. This follows directly from the hint. Straightforward matrix algebra shows that  $(\mathbf{C'}\boldsymbol{\Lambda}^{-1}\mathbf{C})$  -  $(\mathbf{C'WC})(\mathbf{C'W\Lambda WC})^{-1}(\mathbf{C'WC})$  can be written as

$$C'\Lambda^{-1/2}[I_L - D(D'D)^{-1}D']\Lambda^{-1/2}C,$$

where  $\mathbf{D} \equiv \mathbf{\Lambda}^{1/2}\mathbf{WC}$ . Since this is a matrix quadratic form in the  $L \times L$  symmetric, idempotent matrix  $\mathbf{I}_L - \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{D'D})^{-1}\mathbf{D'}$ , it is necessarily itself positive semi-definite.

8.7. When  $\hat{\Omega}$  is diagonal and  $\mathbf{Z}_i$  has the form in (8.15),  $\sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{Z}_i' \hat{\Omega} \mathbf{Z}_i = \mathbf{Z}' (\mathbf{I}_N \otimes \hat{\Omega}) \mathbf{Z}$  is a block diagonal matrix with  $g^{th}$  block  $\hat{\sigma}_g^2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{Z}_{ig}' \mathbf{Z}_{ig}\right) \equiv \hat{\sigma}_g^2 \mathbf{Z}_g' \mathbf{Z}_g$ , where  $\mathbf{Z}_g$  denotes the  $N \times L_g$  matrix of instruments for the  $g^{th}$  equation. Further,  $\mathbf{Z}' \mathbf{X}$  is block diagonal with  $g^{th}$  block  $\mathbf{Z}_g' \mathbf{X}_g$ . Using these facts, it is now

straightforward to show that the 3SLS estimator consists of  $[\mathbf{X}_g'\mathbf{Z}_g(\mathbf{Z}_g'\mathbf{Z}_g)^{-1}\mathbf{Z}_g'\mathbf{X}_g]^{-1}\mathbf{X}_g'\mathbf{Z}_g(\mathbf{Z}_g'\mathbf{Z}_g)^{-1}\mathbf{Z}_g'\mathbf{Y}_g \text{ stacked from } g=1,\ldots,G. \text{ This is just}$  the system 2SLS estimator or, equivalently, 2SLS equation-by-equation.

8.9. The optimal instruments are given in Theorem 8.5, with G=1:

$$\mathbf{z}_{i}^{*} = \left[\omega(\mathbf{z}_{i})\right]^{-1} \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{x}_{i} | \mathbf{z}_{i}), \ \omega(\mathbf{z}_{i}) = \mathbb{E}(u_{i}^{2} | \mathbf{z}_{i}).$$

If  $\mathrm{E}(u_{\mathrm{i}}^2|\mathbf{z}_{\mathrm{i}})=\sigma^2$  and  $\mathrm{E}(\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{i}}|\mathbf{z}_{\mathrm{i}})=\mathbf{z}_{\mathrm{i}}\Pi$ , the the optimal instruments are  $\sigma^{-2}\mathbf{z}_{\mathrm{i}}\Pi$ . The constant multiple  $\sigma^{-2}$  clearly has no effect on the optimal IV estimator, so the optimal instruments are  $\mathbf{z}_{\mathrm{i}}\Pi$ . These are the optimal IVs underlying 2SLS, except that  $\Pi$  is replaced with its  $\sqrt{N}$ -consistent OLS estimator. The 2SLS estimator has the same asymptotic variance whether  $\Pi$  or  $\hat{\Pi}$  is used, and so 2SLS is asymptotically efficient.

If  $\mathrm{E}(u|\mathbf{x})=0$  and  $\mathrm{E}(u^2|\mathbf{x})=\sigma^2$  then the optimal instruments are  $\sigma^{-2}\mathrm{E}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{x})$  =  $\sigma^{-2}\mathbf{x}$ , and this leads to the OLS estimator.

8.11. a. This is a simple application of Theorem 8.5 when G=1. Without the i subscript,  $\mathbf{x}_1=(\mathbf{z}_1,y_2)$  and so  $\mathrm{E}(\mathbf{x}_1|\mathbf{z})=[\mathbf{z}_1,\mathrm{E}(y_2|\mathbf{z})]$ . Further,  $\mathbf{\Omega}(\mathbf{z})=\mathrm{Var}(u_1|\mathbf{z})=\sigma_1^2$ . It follows that the optimal instruments are  $(1/\sigma_1^2)[\mathbf{z}_1,\mathrm{E}(y_2|\mathbf{z})]$ . Dropping the division by  $\sigma_1^2$  clearly does not affect the optimal instruments.

b. If  $y_2$  is binary then  $\mathbb{E}(y_2|\mathbf{z}) = \mathbb{P}(y_2 = 1|\mathbf{z}) = F(\mathbf{z})$ , and so the optimal IVs are  $[\mathbf{z}_1, F(\mathbf{z})]$ .

#### CHAPTER 9

- 9.1. a. No. What causal inference could one draw from this? We may be interested in the tradeoff between wages and benefits, but then either of these can be taken as the dependent variable and the analysis would be by OLS. Of course, if we have omitted some important factors or have a measurement error problem, OLS could be inconsistent for estimating the tradeoff. But it is not a simultaneity problem.
- b. Yes. We can certainly think of an exogenous change in law enforcement expenditures causing a reduction in crime, and we are certainly interested in such thought experiments. If we could do the appropriate experiment, where expenditures are assigned randomly across cities, then we could estimate the crime equation by OLS. (In fact, we could use a simple regression analysis.) The simultaneous equations model recognizes that cities choose law enforcement expenditures in part on what they expect the crime rate to be. An SEM is a convenient way to allow expenditures to depend on unobservables (to the econometrician) that affect crime.
- c. No. These are both choice variables of the firm, and the parameters in a two-equation system modeling one in terms of the other, and vice versa, have no economic meaning. If we want to know how a change in the price of foreign technology affects foreign technology (FT) purchases, why would we want to hold fixed R&D spending? Clearly FT purchases and R&D spending are simultaneously chosen, but we should use a SUR model where neither is an explanatory variable in the other's equation.
- d. Yes. We we can certainly be interested in the causal effect of alcohol consumption on productivity, and therefore wage. One's hourly wage is

determined by the demand for skills; alcohol consumption is determined by individual behavior.

- e. No. These are choice variables by the same household. It makes no sense to think about how exogenous changes in one would affect the other. Further, suppose that we look at the effects of changes in local property tax rates. We would not want to hold fixed family saving and then measure the effect of changing property taxes on housing expenditures. When the property tax changes, a family will generally adjust expenditure in all categories. A SUR system with property tax as an explanatory variable seems to be the appropriate model.
- f. No. These are both chosen by the firm, presumably to maximize profits. It makes no sense to hold advertising expenditures fixed while looking at how other variables affect price markup.
- 9.3. a. We can apply part b of Problem 9.2. First, the only variable excluded from the support equation is the variable mremarr; since the support equation contains one endogenous variable, this equation is identified if and only if  $\delta_{21} \neq 0$ . This ensures that there is an exogenous variable shifting the mother's reaction function that does not also shift the father's reaction function.

The *visits* equation is identified if and only if at least one of *finc* and fremarr actually appears in the *support* equation; that is, we need  $\delta_{11} \neq 0$  or  $\delta_{13} \neq 0$ .

- b. Each equation can be estimated by 2SLS using instruments 1, finc, fremarr, dist, mremarr.
  - c. First, obtain the reduced form for visits:

 $visits = \pi_{20} + \pi_{21} finc + \pi_{22} fremarr + \pi_{23} dist + \pi_{24} mremarr + v_2.$  Estimate this equation by OLS, and save the residuals,  $v_2$ . Then, run the OLS regression

support on 1, visits, finc, fremarr, dist,  $\hat{v}_2$  and do a (heteroskedasticity-robust) t test that the coefficient on  $\hat{v}_2$  is zero. If this test rejects we conclude that visits is in fact endogenous in the support equation.

d. There is one overidentifying restriction in the visits equation, assuming that  $\delta_{11}$  and  $\delta_{12}$  are both different from zero. Assuming homoskedasticity of  $u_2$ , the easiest way to test the overidentifying restriction is to first estimate the visits equation by 2SLS, as in part b. Let  $\hat{u}_2$  be the 2SLS residuals. Then, run the auxiliary regression

 $u_2$  on 1, finc, fremarr, dist, mremarr;

the sample size times the usual R-squared from this regression is distributed asymptotically as  $\chi_1^2$  under the null hypothesis that all instruments are exogenous.

A heteroskedasticity-robust test is also easy to obtain. Let support denote the fitted values from the reduced form regression for support. Next, regress finc (or fremarr) on support, mremarr, dist, and save the residuals, say  $\hat{r}_1$ . Then, run the simple regression (without intercept) of 1 on  $\hat{u}_2\hat{r}_1$ ; N - SSR $_0$  from this regression is asymptotically  $\chi^2_1$  under  $H_0$ . (SSR $_0$  is just the usual sum of squared residuals.)

9.5. a. Let  $\pmb{\beta}_1$  denote the 7  $\times$  1 vector of parameters in the first equation with only the normalization restriction imposed:

$$\boldsymbol{\beta}_{1}' = (-1, \gamma_{12}, \gamma_{13}, \delta_{11}, \delta_{12}, \delta_{13}, \delta_{14}).$$

The restrictions  $\delta_{12}$  = 0 and  $\delta_{13}$  +  $\delta_{14}$  = 1 are obtained by choosing

$$\mathbf{R}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Because  $\mathbf{R}_1$  has two rows, and G-1=2, the order condition is satisfied. Now, we need to check the rank condition. Letting  $\mathbf{B}$  denote the 7  $\times$  3 matrix of all structural parameters with only the three normalizations, straightforward matrix multiplication gives

$$\mathbf{R}_1\mathbf{B} \ = \ \begin{cases} \delta_{12} & \delta_{22} & \delta_{32} \\ \delta_{13} + \delta_{14} - 1 & \delta_{23} + \delta_{24} - \gamma_{21} & \delta_{33} + \delta_{34} - \gamma_{31} \\ \end{cases}.$$

By definition of the constraints on the first equation, the first column of  ${\bf R}_1{\bf B}$  is zero. Next, we use the constraints in the remainder of the system to get the expression for  ${\bf R}_1{\bf B}$  with all information imposed. But  $\gamma_{23}=0$ ,  $\delta_{22}=0$ ,  $\delta_{23}=0$ ,  $\delta_{24}=0$ ,  $\gamma_{31}=0$ , and  $\gamma_{32}=0$ , and so  ${\bf R}_1{\bf B}$  becomes

$$\mathbf{R}_{1}\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \delta_{32} \\ 0 & -\gamma_{21} & \delta_{33} + \delta_{34} - \gamma_{31} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Identification requires  $\gamma_{21}$  ≠ 0 and  $\delta_{32}$  ≠ 0.

b. It is easy to see how to estimate the first equation under the given assumptions. Set  $\delta_{14}$  = 1 -  $\delta_{13}$  and plug this into the equation. After simple algebra we get

$$y_1 - z_4 = \gamma_{12}y_2 + \gamma_{13}y_3 + \delta_{11}z_1 + \delta_{13}(z_3 - z_4) + u_1.$$

This equation can be estimated by 2SLS using instruments  $(z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4)$ . Note that, if we just count instruments, there are just enough instruments to estimate this equation.

9.7. a. Because *alcohol* and *educ* are endogenous in the first equation, we need at least two elements in  $\mathbf{z}_{(2)}$  and/or  $\mathbf{z}_{(3)}$  that are not also in  $\mathbf{z}_{(1)}$ . Ideally,

we have at least one such element in  $\mathbf{z}_{(2)}$  and at least one such element in  $\mathbf{z}_{(3)}$ .

- b. Let  ${\bf z}$  denote all nonredundant exogenous variables in the system. Then use these as instruments in a 2SLS analysis.
  - c. The matrix of instruments for each i is

$$\mathbf{Z}_{\dot{\perp}} = egin{pmatrix} \mathbf{z}_{\dot{\perp}} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & (\mathbf{z}_{\dot{\perp}}, educ_{\dot{\perp}}) \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{z}_{\dot{\perp}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

- d.  $\mathbf{z}_{(3)} = \mathbf{z}$ . That is, we should not make any exclusion restrictions in the reduced form for educ.
- 9.9. a. Here is my Stata output for the 3SLS estimation of (9.28) and (9.29):
- . reg3 (hours lwage educ age kidslt6 kidsge6 nwifeinc) (lwage hours educ exper expersq)

Three-stage least squares regression

Equation Obs Pa	allis	RMSE "R-	sq" chi2	Р
hours 428 lwage 428		3.362 -2.1 92584 0.0		

Coef. Std. Err. z P>|z| [95% Conf. Interval] hours .3678943 3.451518 2504.799 535.8919 0.11 0.915 4.67 0.000 -6.396957 1454.47 7.132745 nwifeinc | 3555.128 \_cons | lwage hours | .000201 .0002109 0.95 0.340 -.0002123 .0006143 .0832858 educ | .1129699 .0151452 7.46 0.000 .1426539 exper | .0208906 .0142782 1.46 0.143 -.0070942 .0488753

expersq | -.0002943 .0002614 -1.13 0.260 -.0008066 .000218 \_cons | -.7051103 .3045904 -2.31 0.021 -1.302097 -.1081241

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Endogenous variables: hours lwage

Exogenous variables: educ age kidslt6 kidsge6 nwifeinc exper expersq

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- b. To be added. Unfortunately, I know of no econometrics packages that conveniently allow system estimation using different instruments for different equations.
- 9.11. a. Since  $z_2$  and  $z_3$  are both omitted from the first equation, we just need  $\delta_{22} \neq 0$  or  $\delta_{23} \neq 0$  (or both, of course). The second equation is identified if and only if  $\delta_{11} \neq 0$ .
- b. After substitution and straightforward algebra, it can be seen that  $\pi_{11} \,=\, \delta_{11}/\left(1\,-\,\gamma_{12}\gamma_{21}\right)\,.$
- c. We can estimate the system by 3SLS; for the second equation, this is identical to 2SLS since it is just identified. Or, we could just use 2SLS on each equation. Given  $\hat{\delta}_{11}$ ,  $\hat{\gamma}_{12}$ , and  $\hat{\gamma}_{21}$ , we would form  $\hat{\pi}_{11} = \hat{\delta}_{11}/(1-\hat{\gamma}_{12}\hat{\gamma}_{21})$ .
- d. Whether we estimate the parameters by 2SLS or 3SLS, we will generally inconsistently estimate  $\delta_{11}$  and  $\gamma_{12}$ . (Since we are estimating the second equation by 2SLS, we will still consistently estimate  $\gamma_{21}$  provided we have not misspecified this equation.) So our estimate of  $\pi_{11} = \partial \mathbb{E}(y_2|\mathbf{z})/\partial z_1$  will be inconsistent in any case.
- e. We can just estimate the reduced form  $\mathrm{E}(y_2\,|\,z_1,z_2,z_3)$  by ordinary least squares.
- f. Consistency of OLS for  $\pi_{11}$  does not hinge on the validity of the exclusion restrictions in the structural model, whereas using an SEM does. Of course, if the SEM is correctly specified, we obtain a more efficient

estimator of the reduced form parameters by imposing the restrictions in estimating  $\boldsymbol{\pi}_{11}\text{.}$ 

- 9.13. a. The first equation is identified if, and only if,  $\delta_{22} \neq 0$ . (This is the rank condition.)
  - b. Here is my Stata output:
- . reg open lpcinc lland

Source		df	MS		Number of obs	
Model Residual Total	35151.7966 +	2 143 111 316	303.0968 5.682852		11 0 4 4 4 2 4	= 0.0000 = 0.4487
-	   Coef.				[95% Conf.	Interval]
lpcinc lland	.5464812	1.49324 .8142162 15.8483	0.366 -9.294 7.388	0.715	-2.412473 -9.180527 85.68006	3.505435 -5.953679 148.489

This shows that  $\log(land)$  is very statistically significant in the RF for open. Smaller countries are more open.

- c. Here is my Stata output. First, 2SLS, then OLS:
- . reg inf open lpcinc (lland lpcinc)

Source	SS	df	MS		Number of obs = F( 2, 111) =	
Model Residual	•	2 1004 111 568.	.61387 145892		Prob > F =	= 0.0657 = 0.0309
Total	65073.4217	113 575.	870989		- ·	= 23.836
inf	Coef.	Std. Err.	t 		[95% Conf. ]	Interval]
open lpcinc _cons	3374871   .3758247   26.89934	.1441212 2.015081 15.4012	-2.342 0.187 1.747	0.021 0.852 0.083	6230728 -3.617192 -3.61916	0519014 4.368841 57.41783

## . reg inf open lpcinc

Source	SS 	df	MS		Number of obs F( 2, 111)	
Model   Residual	2945.92812	2 1472 111 559	.96406 .70715		Prob > F R-squared Adj R-squared	= 0.0764 = 0.0453
Total	65073.4217	113 575.	870989		Root MSE	= 23.658
inf		Std. Err.			[95% Conf.	Interval]
open	2150695 .0175683	.0946289 1.975267 15.20522	-2.273 0.009 1.651	0.025 0.993 0.102	402583 -3.896555 -5.026122	027556 3.931692 55.23419

The 2SLS estimate is notably larger in magnitude. Not surprisingly, it also has a larger standard error. You might want to test to see if *open* is endogenous.

- d. If we add  $\gamma_{13}open^2$  to the equation, we need an IV for it. Since  $\log(land)$  is partially correlated with open,  $[\log(land)]^2$  is a natural candidate. A regression of  $open^2$  on  $\log(land)$ ,  $[\log(land)]^2$ , and  $\log(pcinc)$  gives a heteroskedasticity-robust t statistic on  $[\log(land)]^2$  of about 2. This is borderline, but we will go ahead. The Stata output for 2SLS is
- .  $gen opensq = open^2$
- . gen llandsq =  $lland^2$
- . reg inf open opensq lpcinc (lland llandsq lpcinc)

										(2SLS)
Source		SS	df		MS			Number of obs	=	114
	+-							F( 3, 110)	=	2.09
Model		-414.331026	3	-138.	110342			Prob > F	=	0.1060
Residual		65487.7527	110	595.	343207			R-squared	=	
	+-							Adj R-squared	=	
Total		65073.4217	113	575.	870989			Root MSE	=	24.40
inf		Coef.	Std.	Err.		t	P> t	[95% Conf.	In	terval]

open	-1.198637	.6205699	-1.932	0.056	-2.428461	.0311868
opensq	.0075781	.0049828	1.521	0.131	0022966	.0174527
lpcinc	.5066092	2.069134	0.245	0.807	-3.593929	4.607147
_cons	43.17124	19.36141	2.230	0.028	4.801467	81.54102

The squared term indicates that the impact of *open* on *inf* diminishes; the estimate would be significant at about the 6.5% level against a one-sided alternative.

- e. Here is the Stata output for implementing the method described in the problem:
- . reg open lpcinc lland

Source	SS	df	MS		Number of obs	=	114
+-					F( 2, 111)	=	45.17
Model	28606.1936	2	14303.0968		Prob > F	=	0.0000
Residual	35151.7966	111	316.682852		R-squared	=	0.4487
+-					Adj R-squared	=	0.4387
Total	63757.9902	113	564.230002		Root MSE	=	17.796
open	Coef.	Std. E	Err. t	P> t	[95% Conf.	In	terval]
+-							
lpcinc	.5464812	1.493	324 0.37	0.715	-2.412473	3	.505435
lland	-7.567103	.81421	162 <b>-9.</b> 29	0.000	-9.180527	-5	.953679
_cons	117.0845	15.84	183 7.39	0.000	85.68006		148.489

- . predict openh
  (option xb assumed; fitted values)
- . gen openhsq = openh $^2$
- . reg inf openh openhsq lpcinc

Source	SS	df	MS		Number of obs	=	114
+-					F( 3, 110)	=	2.24
Model	3743.18411	3	1247.72804		Prob > F	=	0.0879
Residual	61330.2376	110	557.547615		R-squared	=	0.0575
+-					Adj R-squared	=	0.0318
Total	65073.4217	113	575.870989		Root MSE	=	23.612
inf	Coef.	Std.	Err. t	P> t	[95% Conf.	In	terval]
+-							

openh	8648092	.5394132	-1.60	0.112	-1.933799	.204181
openhsq	.0060502	.0059682	1.01	0.313	0057774	.0178777
lpcinc	.0412172	2.023302	0.02	0.984	-3.968493	4.050927
_cons	39.17831	19.48041	2.01	0.047	.5727026	77.78391

Qualitatively, the results are similar to the correct IV method from part d. If  $\gamma_{13} = 0$ , E(open|lpcinc,lland) is linear and, as shown in Problem 9.12, both methods are consistent. But the forbidden regression implemented in this part is uncessary, less robust, and we cannot trust the standard errors, anyway.

### CHAPTER 10

- 10.1. a. Since investment is likely to be affected by macroeconomic factors, it is important to allow for these by including separate time intercepts; this is done by using T-1 time period dummies.
- b. Putting the unobserved effect  $c_{\rm i}$  in the equation is a simple way to account for time-constant features of a county that affect investment and might also be correlated with the tax variable. Something like "average" county economic climate, which affects investment, could easily be correlated with tax rates because tax rates are, at least to a certain extent, selected by state and local officials. If only a cross section were available, we would have to find an instrument for the tax variable that is uncorrelated with  $c_{\rm i}$  and correlated with the tax rate. This is often a difficult task.
- c. Standard investment theories suggest that, ceteris paribus, larger marginal tax rates decrease investment.
- d. I would start with a fixed effects analysis to allow arbitrary correlation between all time-varying explanatory variables and  $c_{\rm i}$ . (Actually,

doing pooled OLS is a useful initial exercise; these results can be compared with those from an FE analysis). Such an analysis assumes strict exogeneity of  $\mathbf{z}_{\text{it}}$ ,  $tax_{\text{it}}$ , and  $disaster_{\text{it}}$  in the sense that these are uncorrelated with the errors  $u_{\text{is}}$  for all t and s.

I have no strong intuition for the likely serial correlation properties of the  $\{u_{\rm it}\}$ . These might have little serial correlation because we have allowed for  $c_{\rm i}$ , in which case I would use standard fixed effects. However, it seems more likely that the  $u_{\rm it}$  are positively autocorrelated, in which case I might use first differencing instead. In either case, I would compute the fully robust standard errors along with the usual ones. Remember, with first-differencing it is easy to test whether the changes  $\Delta u_{\rm it}$  are serially uncorrelated.

e. If  $tax_{it}$  and  $disaster_{it}$  do not have lagged effects on investment, then the only possible violation of the strict exogeneity assumption is if future values of these variables are correlated with  $u_{it}$ . It is safe to say that this is not a worry for the disaster variable: presumably, future natural disasters are not determined by past investment. On the other hand, state officials might look at the levels of past investment in determining future tax policy, especially if there is a target level of tax revenue the officials are are trying to achieve. This could be similar to setting property tax rates: sometimes property tax rates are set depending on recent housing values, since a larger base means a smaller rate can achieve the same amount of revenue. Given that we allow  $tax_{it}$  to be correlated with  $c_i$ , this might not be much of a problem. But it cannot be ruled out ahead of time.

10.3. a. Let 
$$\overline{\mathbf{x}}_{i} = (\mathbf{x}_{i1} + \mathbf{x}_{i2})/2$$
,  $\overline{y}_{i} = (y_{i1} + y_{i2})/2$ ,  $\ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{i1} = \mathbf{x}_{i1} - \ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{i}$ ,

 $\ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{i2} = \ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{i2} - \ddot{\ddot{\mathbf{x}}}_{i}$ , and similarly for  $\ddot{y}_{i1}$  and  $\ddot{y}_{i2}$ . For T=2 the fixed effects estimator can be written as

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{FE}} = \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N} (\mathbf{x}_{i1}^{\prime} \mathbf{x}_{i1}^{.} + \mathbf{x}_{i2}^{\prime} \mathbf{x}_{i2}^{.}) \right)^{-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N} (\mathbf{x}_{i1}^{\prime} y_{i1}^{.} + \mathbf{x}_{i2}^{\prime} y_{i2}^{.}) \right).$$

Now, by simple algebra,

$$\ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{i1} = (\mathbf{x}_{i1} - \mathbf{x}_{i2})/2 = -\Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}/2$$

$$\ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{i2} = (\mathbf{x}_{i2} - \mathbf{x}_{i1})/2 = \Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}/2$$

$$\ddot{y}_{i1} = (y_{i1} - y_{i2})/2 = -\Delta y_{i}/2$$

$$\ddot{y}_{i2} = (y_{i2} - y_{i1})/2 = \Delta y_{i}/2.$$

Therefore,

$$\mathbf{x}'_{i1}\mathbf{x}'_{i1} + \mathbf{x}'_{i2}\mathbf{x}'_{i2} = \Delta \mathbf{x}'_{i}\Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}/4 + \Delta \mathbf{x}'_{i}\Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}/4 = \Delta \mathbf{x}'_{i}\Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}/2 
\mathbf{x}'_{i1}y_{i1} + \mathbf{x}'_{i2}y_{i2} = \Delta \mathbf{x}'_{i}\Delta y_{i}/4 + \Delta \mathbf{x}'_{i}\Delta y_{i}/4 = \Delta \mathbf{x}'_{i}\Delta y_{i}/2,$$

and so

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{FE}} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}' \Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}/2\right)^{-1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}' \Delta y_{i}/2\right)$$

$$= \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}' \Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}\right)^{-1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}' \Delta y_{i}\right) = \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{FD}}.$$

b. Let  $\hat{u}_{i1} = \ddot{y}_{i1} - \ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{i1}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{FE}}$  and  $\hat{u}_{i2} = \ddot{y}_{i2} - \ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{i2}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{FE}}$  be the fixed effects residuals for the two time periods for cross section observation i. Since  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{FE}}$  =  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{FD}}$ , and using the representations in (4.1'), we have

$$\hat{u}_{i1} = -\Delta y_{i}/2 - (-\Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}/2)\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{FD} = -(\Delta y_{i} - \Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{FD})/2 \equiv -\hat{e}_{i}/2$$

$$\hat{u}_{i2} = \Delta y_{i}/2 - (\Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}/2)\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{FD} = (\Delta y_{i} - \Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{FD})/2 \equiv \hat{e}_{i}/2,$$

where  $\hat{\mathbf{e}}_i \equiv \Delta y_i - \Delta \mathbf{x}_i \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{FD}}$  are the first difference residuals,  $i=1,2,\ldots,N.$  Therefore,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} (\hat{u}_{i1}^2 + \hat{u}_{i2}^2) = (1/2) \sum_{i=1}^{N} \hat{e}_{i}^2.$$

This shows that the sum of squared residuals from the fixed effects regression is exactly one have the sum of squared residuals from the first difference regression. Since we know the variance estimate for fixed effects is the SSR

divided by N-K (when T=2), and the variance estimate for first difference is the SSR divided by N-K, the error variance from fixed effects is always half the size as the error variance for first difference estimation, that is,  $\hat{\sigma}_{\rm u}^2 = \hat{\sigma}_{\rm e}^2/2$  (contrary to what the problem asks you so show). What I wanted you to show is that the variance matrix estimates of  $\hat{\beta}_{\rm FE}$  and  $\hat{\beta}_{\rm FD}$  are identical.

This is easy since the variance matrix estimate for fixed effects is

$$\hat{\sigma}_{u}^{2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N} (\ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{i1}'\ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{i1} + \ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{i2}'\ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{i2}) \right)^{-1} = (\hat{\sigma}_{e}^{2}/2) \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N} \Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}' \Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}/2 \right)^{-1} = \hat{\sigma}_{e}^{2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N} \Delta \mathbf{x}_{i}' \Delta \mathbf{x}_{i} \right)^{-1},$$

which is the variance matrix estimator for first difference. Thus, the standard errors, and in fact all other test statistics (F statistics) will be numerically identical using the two approaches.

10.5. a. Write  $\mathbf{v}_i \mathbf{v}_i' = c_i^2 \mathbf{j}_T \mathbf{j}_T' + \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i' + \mathbf{j}_T (c_i \mathbf{u}_i') + (c_i \mathbf{u}_i) \mathbf{j}_T'$ . Under RE.1,  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{u}_i | \mathbf{x}_i, c_i) = \mathbf{0}, \text{ which implies that } \mathbf{E}[(c_i \mathbf{u}_i') | \mathbf{x}_i) = \mathbf{0} \text{ by interated expectations.}$  Under RE.3a,  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i' | \mathbf{x}_i, c_i) = \sigma_u^2 \mathbf{I}_T, \text{ which implies that } \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i' | \mathbf{x}_i) = \sigma_u^2 \mathbf{I}_T$  (again, by iterated expectations). Therefore,

b. The RE estimator is still consistent and  $\sqrt{N}$ -asymptotically normal without assumption RE.3b, but the usual random effects variance estimator of  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{RE}}$  is no longer valid because  $\mathrm{E}(\mathbf{v}_i\mathbf{v}_i'|\mathbf{x}_i)$  does not have the form (10.30)

(because it depends on  $\mathbf{x}_i$ ). The robust variance matrix estimator given in (7.49) should be used in obtaining standard errors or Wald statistics.

10.7. I provide annotated Stata output, and I compute the nonrobust regression-based statistic from equation (11.79):

- . \* random effects estimation
- . iis id
- . tis term
- . xtreg trmgpa spring crsgpa frstsem season sat verbmath h<br/>sperc hssize black female, re $\,$

			Random-effects GLS regression
sd(u_id)	=	.3718544	Number of obs = $732$
sd(e_id_t)	=	.4088283	n = 366
sd(e_id_t + u_id)	=	.5526448	T = 2
( ) )		0 (	D 0005
corr(u_id, X)	=	0 (assumed)	R-sq within = 0.2067
			between = 0.5390
			overall = $0.4785$
			chi2(10) = 512.77
(theta = 0.3862)			Prob > chi2 = 0.0000

trmgpa	Coef.	Std. Err.	Z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
spring   crsqpa	0606536 1.082365	.0371605	-1.632 11.627	0.103	1334868 .8999166	.0121797
frstsem	.0029948	.0599542	0.050	0.960	1145132	.1205028
season	0440992	.0392381	-1.124	0.261	1210044	.0328061
sat	.0017052	.0001771	9.630	0.000	.0013582	.0020523
verbmath	1575199	.16351	-0.963	0.335	4779937	.1629538
hsperc	0084622	.0012426	-6.810	0.000	0108977	0060268
hssize	0000775	.0001248	-0.621	0.534	000322	.000167
black	2348189	.0681573	-3.445	0.000	3684048	1012331
female	.3581529	.0612948	5.843	0.000	.2380173	.4782886
_cons	-1.73492	.3566599	-4.864	0.000	-2.43396 	-1.035879

- .  $\star$  fixed effects estimation, with time-varying variables only.
- . xtreg trmgpa spring crsgpa frstsem season, fe

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Fixed-effects (within) regression
sd(u_id)
                                                 Number of obs = 732
                             .679133
sd(e_id_t)
                            .4088283
                                                                    366
                                                            n =
sd(e_id_t + u_id)
                            .792693
                                                            T =
                                                                   2
corr(u_id, Xb)
                         = -0.0893
                                                 R-sq within = 0.2069
                                                     between = 0.0333
                                                      overall = 0.0613
                                                 F(4, 362) = 23.61
                                                      Prob > F = 0.0000
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trmgpa	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
spring   crsgpa	0657817 1.140688	.0391404 .1186538	-1.681 9.614	0.094 0.000	1427528 .9073506	.0111895
frstsem	.0128523	.0688364	0.187	0.852	1225172	.1482218
season	0566454	.0414748	-1.366	0.173	1382072	.0249165
_cons	7708056	.3305004	-2.332	0.020	-1.420747	1208637
id	F (	365 <b>,</b> 362) =	5.399	0.000	(366 ca	tegories)

- . \* Obtaining the regression-based Hausman test is a bit tedious. First, compute the time-averages for all of the time-varying variables:
- . egen atrmgpa = mean(trmgpa), by(id)
- . egen aspring = mean(spring), by(id)
- . egen acrsgpa = mean(crsgpa), by(id)
- . egen afrstsem = mean(frstsem), by(id)
- . egen aseason = mean(season), by(id)
- . \* Now obtain GLS transformations for both time-constant and  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) +\left( 1$
- . \* time-varying variables. Note that lamdahat = .386.
- . di 1 .386
- .614
- . gen bone = .614
- . gen bsat = .614\*sat
- . gen bvrbmth = .614\*verbmath
- . gen bhsperc = .614\*hsperc
- . gen bhssize = .614\*hssize

- . gen bblack = .614\*black
- . gen bfemale = .614\*female
- . gen btrmgpa = trmgpa .386\*atrmgpa
- . gen bspring = spring .386\*aspring
- . gen bcrsgpa = crsgpa .386\*acrsgpa
- . gen bfrstsem = frstsem .386\*afrstsem
- . gen bseason = season .386\*aseason
- .  $\star$  Check to make sure that pooled OLS on transformed data is random
- . \* effects.
- . reg btrmgpa bone bspring bcrsgpa bfrstsem bseason bsat bvrbmth bhsperc bhssize bblack bfemale, nocons

Source		SS	df	MS	Number of obs =	732
	+-				F(11, 721) =	862.67
Model		1584.10163	11	144.009239	Prob > F =	0.0000
Residual		120.359125	721	.1669336	R-squared =	0.9294
	+-				Adj R-squared =	0.9283
Total		1704.46076	732	2.3284983	Root MSE =	.40858

btrmgpa	Coef.	 Std. Err.	t.	 P> t	 [95% Conf.	 Intervall
+-						
bone	-1.734843	.3566396	-4.864	0.000	-2.435019	-1.034666
bspring	060651	.0371666	-1.632	0.103	1336187	.0123167
bcrsgpa	1.082336	.0930923	11.626	0.000	.8995719	1.265101
bfrstsem	.0029868	.0599604	0.050	0.960	114731	.1207046
bseason	0440905	.0392441	-1.123	0.262	1211368	.0329558
bsat	.0017052	.000177	9.632	0.000	.0013577	.0020528
bvrbmth	1575166	.1634784	-0.964	0.336	4784672	.163434
bhsperc	0084622	.0012424	-6.811	0.000	0109013	0060231
bhssize	0000775	.0001247	-0.621	0.535	0003224	.0001674
bblack	2348204	.0681441	-3.446	0.000	3686049	1010359
bfemale	.3581524	.0612839	5.844	0.000	.2378363	.4784686

- . \* These are the RE estimates, subject to rounding error.
- .  $\star$  Now add the time averages of the variables that change across i and t
- .  $\star$  to perform the Hausman test:
- . reg btrmgpa bone bspring bcrsgpa bfrstsem bseason bsat bvrbmth bhsperc bhssize bblack bfemale acrsgpa afrstsem aseason, nocons

Source		SS	df		MS		Number of obs	= 732
	+-						F( 14, 718)	
Model		1584.40773	14		171981		Prob > F	= 0.0000
Residual		120.053023	718	.167	204767		R-squared	
	+-						Adj R-squared	
Total		1704.46076	732	2.3	284983		Root MSE	= .40891
btrmgpa		Coef.	Std.	Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
bone		-1.423761	.5182	2286	-2.747	0.006	-2,441186	4063367
bspring		0657817	.0391	479	-1.680	0.093	1426398	.0110764
bcrsgpa		1.140688	.1186	766	9.612	0.000	.9076934	1.373683
bfrstsem		.0128523	.0688	3496	0.187	0.852	1223184	.148023
bseason		0566454	.0414	1828	-1.366	0.173	1380874	.0247967
bsat		.0016681	.0001	804	9.247	0.000	.001314	.0020223
bvrbmth		1316462	.1654	1425	-0.796	0.426	4564551	.1931626
bhsperc		0084655	.0012	2551	-6.745	0.000	0109296	0060013
bhssize		0000783	.0001	249	-0.627	0.531	0003236	.000167
bblack		2447934	.0685	5972	-3.569	0.000	3794684	1101184
bfemale		.3357016	.0711	669	4.717	0.000	.1959815	.4754216
acrsgpa		1142992	.1234	1835	-0.926	0.355	3567312	.1281327
afrstsem		0480418	.0896	965	-0.536	0.592	2241405	.1280569
aseason		.0763206	.0794	1119	0.961	0.337	0795867	.2322278

- . test acrsgpa afrstsem aseason
- (1) acrsgpa = 0.0
- (2) afrstsem = 0.0
- (3) aseason = 0.0

$$F(3, 718) = 0.61$$
  
 $Prob > F = 0.6085$ 

- .  $\mbox{\scriptsize \star}$  Thus, we fail to reject the random effects assumptions even at very large
- . \* significance levels.

For comparison, the usual form of the Hausman test, which includes spring among the coefficients tested, gives p-value = .770, based on a  $\chi_4^2$  distribution (using Stata 7.0). It would have been easy to make the regression-based test robust to any violation of RE.3: add ", robust cluster(id)" to the regression command.

10.9. a. The Stata output follows. The simplest way to compute a Hausman test is to just add the time averages of all explanatory variables, excluding the dummy variables, and estimating the equation by random effects. I should have done a better job of spelling this out in the text. In other words, write

$$y_{it} = \mathbf{x}_{it} \boldsymbol{\beta} + \overline{\mathbf{w}}_{i} \boldsymbol{\xi} + r_{it}, t = 1, \dots, T,$$

where  $\mathbf{x}_{it}$  includes an overall intercept along with time dummies, as well as  $\mathbf{w}_{it}$ , the covariates that change across i and t. We can estimate this equation by random effects and test  $\mathbf{H}_0$ :  $\boldsymbol{\xi} = \mathbf{0}$ . The actual calculation for this example is to be added.

Parts b, c, and d: To be added.

10.11. To be added.

10.13. The short answer is: Yes, we can justify this procedure with fixed T as  $N \to \infty$ . In particular, it produces a  $\sqrt{N}$ -consistent, asymptotically normal estimator of  $\pmb{\beta}$ . Therefore, "fixed effects weighted least squares," where the weights are known functions of exogenous variables (including  $\mathbf{x}_i$  and possible other covariates that do not appear in the conditional mean), is another case where "estimating" the fixed effects leads to an estimator of  $\pmb{\beta}$  with good properties. (As usual with fixed T, there is no sense in which we can estimate the  $c_i$  consistently.) Verifying this claim takes much more work, but it is mostly just algebra.

First, in the sum of squared residuals, we can "concentrate" the  $a_i$  out by finding  $\hat{a}_i(\mathbf{b})$  as a function of  $(\mathbf{x}_i,\mathbf{y}_i)$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ , substituting back into the

sum of squared residuals, and then minimizing with respect to  ${\bf b}$  only. Straightforward algebra gives the first order conditions for each i as

$$\sum_{t=1}^{T} (y_{it} - \hat{a}_{i} - \mathbf{x}_{it} \mathbf{b}) / h_{it} = 0,$$

which gives

$$\hat{a}_{i}(\mathbf{b}) = w_{i} \left( \sum_{t=1}^{T} y_{it} / h_{it} \right) - w_{i} \left( \sum_{t=1}^{T} \mathbf{x}_{it} / h_{it} \right) \mathbf{b}$$

$$\equiv \overline{y}_{i}^{w} - \overline{\mathbf{x}}_{i}^{w} \mathbf{b},$$

where  $w_i \equiv 1/\left(\sum_{t=1}^T (1/h_{it})\right) > 0$  and  $\overline{y}_i^w \equiv w_i \left(\sum_{t=1}^T y_{it}/h_{it}\right)$ , and a similar definition holds for  $\overline{\mathbf{x}}_i^w$ . Note that  $\overline{y}_i^w$  and  $\overline{\mathbf{x}}_i^w$  are simply weighted averages. If  $h_{it}$  equals the same constant for all t,  $\overline{y}_i^w$  and  $\overline{\mathbf{x}}_i^w$  are the usual time averages.

Now we can plug each  $\hat{a}_{i}(\mathbf{b})$  into the SSR to get the problem solved by  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ :

$$\min_{\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^K} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^T \left[ (y_{it} - \overline{y}_i^w) - (\mathbf{x}_{it} - \overline{\mathbf{x}}_i^w) \mathbf{b} \right]^2 / h_{it}.$$

But this is just a pooled weighted least squares regression of  $(y_{\rm it} - \overline{y}_{\rm i}^{\rm w})$  on  $(\mathbf{x}_{\rm it} - \overline{\mathbf{x}}_{\rm i}^{\rm w})$  with weights  $1/h_{\rm it}$ . Equivalently, define  $\tilde{y}_{\rm it} \equiv (y_{\rm it} - \overline{y}_{\rm i}^{\rm w})/\sqrt{h_{\rm it}}$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\rm it} \equiv (\mathbf{x}_{\rm it} - \overline{\mathbf{x}}_{\rm i}^{\rm w})/\sqrt{h_{\rm it}}$ , all  $t = 1, \ldots, T$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, N$ . Then  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$  can be expressed in usual pooled OLS form:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{it}' \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{it}\right)^{-1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{it}' \tilde{y}_{it}\right). \tag{10.82}$$

Note carefully how the initial  $y_{\rm it}$  are weighted by  $1/h_{\rm it}$  to obtain  $\overline{y_{\rm i}}$ , but where the usual  $1/\sqrt{h_{\rm it}}$  weighting shows up in the sum of squared residuals on the time-demeaned data (where the demeaming is a weighted average). Given (10.82), we can study the asymptotic  $(N \to \infty)$  properties of  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ . First, it is easy to show that  $\overline{y_{\rm i}}^{\rm w} = \overline{\mathbf{x}_{\rm i}}^{\rm w} \boldsymbol{\beta} + c_{\rm i} + \overline{u_{\rm i}}^{\rm w}$ , where  $\overline{u_{\rm i}}^{\rm w} \equiv w_{\rm i} \left(\sum_{\rm t=1}^{\rm T} u_{\rm it}/h_{\rm it}\right)$ . Subtracting this equation from  $y_{\rm it} = \mathbf{x}_{\rm it} \boldsymbol{\beta} + c_{\rm i} + u_{\rm it}$  for all t gives  $\tilde{y}_{\rm it} = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\rm it} \boldsymbol{\beta} + \tilde{u}_{\rm it}$ , where  $\tilde{u}_{\rm it} \equiv (u_{\rm it} - \overline{u_{\rm i}})/\sqrt{h_{\rm it}}$ . When we plug this in for  $\tilde{y}_{\rm it}$  in (10.82) and divide by N in the appropriate places we get

 $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \boldsymbol{\beta} + \left( N^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \tilde{\boldsymbol{x}}_{it}' \tilde{\boldsymbol{x}}_{it} \right)^{-1} \left( N^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \tilde{\boldsymbol{x}}_{it}' \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}_{it} \right).$  Straightforward algebra shows that  $\sum_{t=1}^{T} \tilde{\boldsymbol{x}}_{it}' \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}_{it} = \sum_{t=1}^{T} \tilde{\boldsymbol{x}}_{it}' \boldsymbol{u}_{it} / \sqrt{h_{it}}, \ i = 1, \dots, N,$  and so we have the convenient expression

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \boldsymbol{\beta} + \left( N^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{it}^{\prime} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{it} \right)^{-1} \left( N^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{it}^{\prime} u_{it} / \sqrt{h_{it}} \right). \tag{10.83}$$

From (10.83) we can immediately read off the consistency of  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ . Why? We assumed that  $\mathrm{E}(u_{\mathrm{it}}|\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{i}},\mathbf{h}_{\mathrm{i}},c_{\mathrm{i}})=0$ , which means  $u_{\mathrm{it}}$  is uncorrelated with any function of  $(\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{i}},\mathbf{h}_{\mathrm{i}})$ , including  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\mathrm{it}}$ . So  $\mathrm{E}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\mathrm{it}}'u_{\mathrm{it}})=0$ ,  $t=1,\ldots,T$ . As long as we assume rank  $\left(\sum_{\mathrm{t=1}}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathrm{E}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\mathrm{it}}'\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\mathrm{it}})\right)=K$ , we can use the usual proof to show  $\mathrm{plim}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})=\boldsymbol{\beta}$ . (We can even show that  $\mathrm{E}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}|\mathbf{X},\mathbf{H})=\boldsymbol{\beta}$ .)

It is also clear from (10.83) that  $\hat{m{\beta}}$  is  $\sqrt{N}$ -asymptotically normal under mild assumptions. The asymptotic variance is generally

Avar 
$$\sqrt{N}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta}) = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$$
,

where

$$\mathbf{A} \equiv \sum_{t=1}^{T} \mathbf{E} \left( \mathbf{\tilde{x}'_{it} \tilde{x}_{it}} \right) \text{ and } \mathbf{B} \equiv \mathbf{Var} \left( \sum_{t=1}^{T} \mathbf{\tilde{x}'_{it}} u_{it} / \sqrt{h_{it}} \right).$$

If we assume that  $\text{Cov}(u_{\text{it}}, u_{\text{is}} | \mathbf{x}_{\text{i}}, \mathbf{h}_{\text{i}}, c_{\text{i}}) = 0$ ,  $t \neq s$ , in addition to the variance assumption  $\text{Var}(u_{\text{it}} | \mathbf{x}_{\text{i}}, \mathbf{h}_{\text{i}}, c_{\text{i}}) = \sigma_{\text{u}}^2 h_{\text{it}}$ , then it is easily shown that  $\mathbf{B} = \sigma_{\text{u}}^2 \mathbf{A}$ , and so  $\sqrt{N}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta}) = \sigma_{\text{u}}^2 \mathbf{A}^{-1}$ .

The same subtleties that arise in estimating  $\sigma_u^2$  for the usual fixed effects estimator crop up here as well. Assume the zero conditional covariance assumption and correct variance specification in the previous paragraph. Then, note that the residuals from the pooled OLS regression

$$\tilde{y}_{it}$$
 on  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{it}$ ,  $t = 1, ..., T$ ,  $i = 1, ..., N$ , (10.84)

say  $\hat{r}_{\rm it}$ , are estimating  $\tilde{u}_{\rm it} = (u_{\rm it} - \overline{u}_{\rm i}^{\rm w})/\sqrt{h_{\rm it}}$  (in the sense that we obtain  $\hat{r}_{\rm it}$  from  $\tilde{u}_{\rm it}$  by replacing  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  with  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ ). Now  $\mathrm{E}(\tilde{u}_{\rm it}^2) = \mathrm{E}[(u_{\rm it}^2/h_{\rm it})] - 2\mathrm{E}[(u_{\rm it}\overline{u}_{\rm i}^{\rm w})/h_{\rm it}]$  +  $\mathrm{E}[(\overline{u}_{\rm it}^{\rm w})^2/h_{\rm it}] = \sigma_{\rm u}^2 - 2\sigma_{\rm u}^2\mathrm{E}[(w_{\rm i}/h_{\rm it})] + \sigma_{\rm u}^2\mathrm{E}[(w_{\rm i}/h_{\rm it})]$ , where the law of

iterated expectations is applied several times, and  $\mathrm{E}[(\overset{-\mathrm{w}}{u_i})^2|\mathbf{x}_i,\mathbf{h}_i] = \sigma_\mathrm{u}^2w_i$  has been used. Therefore,  $\mathrm{E}(\overset{-2}{u_{it}}) = \sigma_\mathrm{u}^2[1 - \mathrm{E}(w_i/h_{it})]$ ,  $t = 1, \ldots, T$ , and so

$$\sum_{t=1}^{T} \mathbb{E}(\tilde{u}_{it}^{2}) = \sigma_{u}^{2} \{ T - \mathbb{E}[w_{i} \cdot \sum_{t=1}^{T} (1/h_{it})] \} = \sigma_{u}^{2} (T - 1).$$

This contains the usual result for the within transformation as a special case. A consistent estimator of  $\sigma_{\rm u}^2$  is SSR/[N(T - 1) - K], where SSR is the usual sum of squared residuals from (10.84), and the subtraction of K is optional. The estimator of Avar( $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ ) is then

$$\hat{\sigma}_{u}^{2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{it}^{\prime} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{it} \right)^{-1}.$$

If we want to allow serial correlation in the  $\{u_{\rm it}\}$ , or allow  ${\rm Var}(u_{\rm it}|\mathbf{x}_{\rm i},\mathbf{h}_{\rm i},c_{\rm i})\neq\sigma_{\rm u}^2h_{\rm it}$ , then we can just apply the robust formula for the pooled OLS regression (10.84).

## CHAPTER 11

11.1. a. It is important to remember that, any time we put a variable in a regression model (whether we are using cross section or panel data), we are controlling for the effects of that variable on the dependent variable. The whole point of regression analysis is that it allows the explanatory variables to be correlated while estimating ceteris paribus effects. Thus, the inclusion of  $y_{i,t-1}$  in the equation allows  $prog_{it}$  to be correlated with  $y_{i,t-1}$ , and also recognizes that, due to inertia,  $y_{it}$  is often strongly related to  $y_{i,t-1}$ .

An assumption that implies pooled OLS is consistent is

$$E(u_{it}|\mathbf{z}_{i},\mathbf{x}_{it},y_{i,t-1},prog_{it}) = 0$$
, all t,

which is implied by but is weaker than dynamic completeness. Without additional assumptions, the pooled OLS standard errors and test statistics need to be adjusted for heteroskedasticity and serial correlation (although the later will not be present under dynamic completeness).

b. As we discussed in Section 7.8.2, this statement is incorrect. Provided our interest is in  $\mathbb{E}(y_{\mathrm{it}}|\mathbf{z}_{\mathrm{i}},\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{it}},y_{\mathrm{i},\mathrm{t-1}},prog_{\mathrm{it}})$ , we do not care about serial correlation in the implied errors, nor does serial correlation cause inconsistency in the OLS estimators.

c. Such a model is the standard unobserved effects model:

$$y_{it} = \mathbf{x}_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \delta_1 prog_{it} + c_i + u_{it}, \quad t=1,2,\ldots,T.$$

We would probably assume that  $(\mathbf{x}_{it}, prog_{it})$  is strictly exogenous; the weakest form of strict exogeneity is that  $(\mathbf{x}_{it}, prog_{it})$  is uncorrelated with  $u_{is}$  for all t and s. Then we could estimate the equation by fixed effects or first differencing. If the  $u_{it}$  are serially uncorrelated, FE is preferred. We could also do a GLS analysis after the fixed effects or first-differencing transformations, but we should have a large N.

d. A model that incorporates features from parts a and c is

$$y_{it} = \mathbf{x}_{it} \mathbf{\beta} + \delta_1 prog_{it} + \rho_1 y_{i,t-1} + c_i + u_{it}, \quad t = 1, ..., T.$$

Now, program participation can depend on unobserved city heterogeneity as well as on lagged  $y_{\rm it}$  (we assume that  $y_{\rm i0}$  is observed). Fixed effects and first-differencing are both inconsistent as  $N \to \infty$  with fixed T.

Assuming that  $E(u_{it}|\mathbf{x}_i,\mathbf{prog}_i,y_{i,t-1},y_{i,t-2},\ldots,y_{i0})=0$ , a consistent procedure is obtained by first differencing, to get

$$y_{it} = \Delta \mathbf{x}_{it} \boldsymbol{\beta} + \delta_1 \Delta prog_{it} + \rho_1 \Delta y_{i,t-1} + \Delta u_{it}, \quad t=2,\ldots,T.$$

At time t and  $\Delta \mathbf{x}_{\text{it}}$ ,  $\Delta prog_{\text{it}}$  can be used as there own instruments, along with  $y_{\text{i,t-j}}$  for  $j \geq 2$ . Either pooled 2SLS or a GMM procedure can be used. Under

strict exogeneity, past and future values of  $\mathbf{x}_{\text{it}}$  can also be used as instruments.

11.3. Writing  $y_{\rm it} = \beta x_{\rm it} + c_{\rm i} + u_{\rm it} - \beta r_{\rm it}$ , the fixed effects estimator  $\hat{\beta}_{\rm FE}$  can be written as

 $\beta + \left(N^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} (x_{it} - \overline{x_i})\right)^2 \left(N^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} (x_{it} - \overline{x_i}) (u_{it} - \overline{u_i} - \beta(r_{it} - \overline{r_i})\right).$  Now,  $x_{it} - \overline{x_i} = (x_{it} - \overline{x_i}) + (r_{it} - \overline{r_i})$ . Then, because  $\mathbb{E}(r_{it} | \mathbf{x}_i^*, c_i) = 0$  for all t,  $(x_{it}^* - \overline{x_i}^*)$  and  $(r_{it} - \overline{r_i})$  are uncorrelated, and so

$$\operatorname{Var}(x_{\text{it}} - \overline{x_{\text{i}}}) = \operatorname{Var}(x_{\text{it}}^* - \overline{x_{\text{i}}}) + \operatorname{Var}(r_{\text{it}} - \overline{r_{\text{i}}}), \text{ all } t.$$

Similarly, under (11.30),  $(x_{it} - \overline{x_i})$  and  $(u_{it} - \overline{u_i})$  are uncorrelated for all t. Now  $\mathrm{E}[(x_{it} - \overline{x_i})(r_{it} - \overline{r_i})] = \mathrm{E}[\{(x_{it}^* - \overline{x_i}) + (r_{it} - \overline{r_i})\}(r_{it} - \overline{r_i})] = \mathrm{Var}(r_{it} - \overline{r_i})$ . By the law of large numbers and the assumption of constant variances across t,

 $N^{-1} \sum_{\mathtt{i}=1}^{\mathtt{N}} \sum_{\mathtt{t}=1}^{\mathtt{T}} \left(x_{\mathtt{i}\mathtt{t}} - \overline{x_{\mathtt{i}}}\right) \stackrel{\mathtt{p}}{\rightarrow} \sum_{\mathtt{t}=1}^{\mathtt{T}} \mathtt{Var} \left(x_{\mathtt{i}\mathtt{t}} - \overline{x_{\mathtt{i}}}\right) = T[\mathtt{Var} \left(x_{\mathtt{i}\mathtt{t}}^{\star} - \overline{x_{\mathtt{i}}^{\star}}\right) + \mathtt{Var} \left(r_{\mathtt{i}\mathtt{t}} - \overline{r_{\mathtt{i}}}\right)]$  and

$$N^{-1} \sum_{\mathtt{i}=\mathtt{1}}^{\mathtt{N}} \sum_{\mathtt{t}=\mathtt{1}}^{\mathtt{T}} \left( x_{\mathtt{i}\mathtt{t}} \ - \ \overline{x_{\mathtt{i}}} \right) \left( u_{\mathtt{i}\mathtt{t}} \ - \ \overline{u_{\mathtt{i}}} \ - \ \beta \left( r_{\mathtt{i}\mathtt{t}} \ - \ \overline{r_{\mathtt{i}}} \right) \right) \overset{\mathtt{p}}{\Rightarrow} - T \beta \mathrm{Var} \left( r_{\mathtt{i}\mathtt{t}} \ - \ \overline{r_{\mathtt{i}}} \right).$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{plim } \hat{\beta}_{\text{FE}} &= \beta - \beta \bigg( \frac{\text{Var}(r_{\text{it}} - \overline{r_{\text{i}}})}{[\text{Var}(x_{\text{it}}^* - \overline{x_{\text{i}}}) + \text{Var}(r_{\text{it}} - \overline{r_{\text{i}}})]} \bigg) \\ &= \beta \bigg( 1 - \frac{\text{Var}(r_{\text{it}} - \overline{r_{\text{i}}})}{[\text{Var}(x_{\text{it}}^* - \overline{x_{\text{i}}}) + \text{Var}(r_{\text{it}} - \overline{r_{\text{i}}})]} \bigg). \end{aligned}$$

11.5. a.  $E(\mathbf{v}_i|\mathbf{z}_i,\mathbf{x}_i) = \mathbf{Z}_i[E(\mathbf{a}_i|\mathbf{z}_i,\mathbf{x}_i) - \alpha] + E(\mathbf{u}_i|\mathbf{z}_i,\mathbf{x}_i) = \mathbf{Z}_i(\alpha - \alpha) + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$ . Next,  $Var(\mathbf{v}_i|\mathbf{z}_i,\mathbf{x}_i) = \mathbf{Z}_iVar(\mathbf{a}_i|\mathbf{z}_i,\mathbf{x}_i)\mathbf{Z}_i' + Var(\mathbf{u}_i|\mathbf{z}_i,\mathbf{x}_i) + Cov(\mathbf{a}_i,\mathbf{u}_i|\mathbf{z}_i,\mathbf{x}_i) + Cov(\mathbf{u}_i,\mathbf{a}_i|\mathbf{z}_i,\mathbf{x}_i) = \mathbf{Z}_iVar(\mathbf{a}_i|\mathbf{z}_i,\mathbf{x}_i)\mathbf{Z}_i' + Var(\mathbf{u}_i|\mathbf{z}_i,\mathbf{x}_i) \text{ because } \mathbf{a}_i \text{ and } \mathbf{u}_i \text{ are uncorrelated, conditional on } (\mathbf{z}_i,\mathbf{x}_i), \text{ by FE.1'} \text{ and the usual iterated}$ 

expectations argument. Therefore,  $\text{Var}(\mathbf{v}_i|\mathbf{z}_i,\mathbf{x}_i) = \mathbf{Z}_i \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{Z}_i' + \sigma_u^2 \mathbf{I}_T$  under the assumptions given, which shows that the conditional variance depends on  $\mathbf{z}_i$ . Unlike in the standard random effects model, there is conditional heteroskedasticity.

b. If we use the usual RE analysis, we are applying FGLS to the equation  $\mathbf{y}_i = \mathbf{Z}_i \boldsymbol{\alpha} + \mathbf{X}_i \boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{v}_i$ , where  $\mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{Z}_i (\mathbf{a}_i - \boldsymbol{\alpha}) + \mathbf{u}_i$ . From part a, we know that  $\mathrm{E}(\mathbf{v}_i | \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}_i) = \mathbf{0}$ , and so the usual RE estimator is consistent (as  $N \to \infty$  for fixed T) and  $\sqrt{N}$ -asymptotically normal, provided the rank condition, Assumption RE.2, holds. (Remember, a feasible GLS analysis with any  $\hat{\Omega}$  will be consistent provided  $\hat{\Omega}$  converges in probability to a nonsingular matrix as  $N \to \infty$ . It need not be the case that  $\mathrm{Var}(\mathbf{v}_i | \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}_i) = \mathrm{plim}(\hat{\Omega})$ , or even that  $\mathrm{Var}(\mathbf{v}_i) = \mathrm{plim}(\hat{\Omega})$ .

From part a, we know that  $\mathrm{Var}(\mathbf{v}_i | \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}_i)$  depends on  $\mathbf{z}_i$  unless we restrict almost all elements of  $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}$  to be zero (all but those corresponding the the constant in  $\mathbf{z}_{it}$ ). Therefore, the usual random effects inference — that is, based on the usual RE variance matrix estimator — will be invalid.

c. We can easily make the RE analysis fully robust to an arbitrary  $\mathrm{Var}(\mathbf{v}_i | \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}_i)$ , as in equation (7.49). Naturally, we expand the set of explanatory variables to  $(\mathbf{z}_{it}, \mathbf{x}_{it})$ , and we estimate  $\alpha$  along with  $\beta$ .

11.7. When  $\lambda_t = \lambda/T$  for all t, we can rearrange (11.60) to get  $y_{it} = \mathbf{x}_{it} \boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{\bar{x}}_i \lambda + v_{it}, \ t = 1, 2, \dots, T.$ 

Let  $\hat{\beta}$  (along with  $\hat{\lambda}$ ) denote the pooled OLS estimator from this equation. By standard results on partitioned regression [for example, Davidson and MacKinnon (1993, Section 1.4)],  $\hat{\beta}$  can be obtained by the following two-step procedure:

- (i) Regress  $\mathbf{x}_{it}$  on  $\mathbf{x}_i$  across all t and i, and save the  $1 \times K$  vectors of residuals, say  $\mathbf{r}_{it}$ ,  $t=1,\ldots,T$ ,  $i=1,\ldots,N$ .
- (ii) Regress  $y_{\rm it}$  on  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_{\rm it}$  across all t and i. The OLS vector on  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_{\rm it}$  is  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ . We want to show that  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$  is the FE estimator. Given that the FE estimator can be obtained by pooled OLS of  $y_{\rm it}$  on  $(\mathbf{x}_{\rm it} \overline{\mathbf{x}}_{\rm i})$ , it suffices to show that  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_{\rm it} = \mathbf{x}_{\rm it} \overline{\mathbf{x}}_{\rm i}$  for all t and i. But

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{r}}_{\text{it}} = \boldsymbol{x}_{\text{it}} - \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}_{\text{i}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}_{\text{i}}' \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}_{\text{i}} \right)^{-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}_{\text{i}}' \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}_{\text{it}} \right)$$
 and 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}_{\text{i}}' \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}_{\text{it}} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}_{\text{i}}' \sum_{t=1}^{T} \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}_{\text{it}} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} T \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}_{\text{i}}' \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}_{\text{i}} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}_{\text{i}}' \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}_{\text{i}}, \text{ and so } \hat{\boldsymbol{r}}_{\text{it}} = \boldsymbol{x}_{\text{it}} - \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}_{\text{i}} \boldsymbol{I}_{\text{K}}$$
 
$$= \boldsymbol{x}_{\text{it}} - \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}_{\text{i}}. \quad \text{This completes the proof.}$$

- 11.9. a. We can apply Problem 8.8.b, as we are applying pooled 2SLS to the time-demeaned equation:  $\operatorname{rank}\left(\sum_{t=1}^{T} \operatorname{E}\left(\ddot{\mathbf{z}}_{it}'\ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{it}\right)\right) = K$ . This clearly fails if  $\mathbf{x}_{it}$  contains any time-constant explanatory variables (across all i, as usual). The condition  $\operatorname{rank}\left(\sum_{t=1}^{T} \operatorname{E}\left(\ddot{\mathbf{z}}_{it}'\ddot{\mathbf{z}}_{it}\right)\right) = L$  is also needed, and this rules out time-constant instruments. But if the rank condition holds, we can always redefine  $\mathbf{z}_{it}$  so that  $\sum_{t=1}^{T} \operatorname{E}\left(\ddot{\mathbf{z}}_{it}'\ddot{\mathbf{z}}_{it}\right)$  has full rank.
- b. We can apply the results on GMM estimation in Chapter 8. In particular, in equation (8.25), take  $\mathbf{C} = \mathrm{E}(\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_1'\ddot{\mathbf{X}}_1)$ ,  $\mathbf{W} = [\mathrm{E}(\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_1'\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_1)]^{-1}$ , and  $\mathbf{\Lambda} = \mathrm{E}(\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_1'\ddot{\mathbf{u}}_1\ddot{\mathbf{u}}_1'\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_1)$ . A key point is that  $\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_1'\ddot{\mathbf{u}}_1 = (\mathbf{Q}_T\mathbf{Z}_1)'(\mathbf{Q}_T\mathbf{u}_1) = \mathbf{Z}_1'\mathbf{Q}_T\mathbf{u}_1 = \ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_1'\mathbf{u}_1$ , where  $\mathbf{Q}_T$  is the  $T \times T$  time-demeaning matrix defined in Chapter 10. Under (11.80),  $\mathrm{E}(\mathbf{u}_1\mathbf{u}_1'\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_1) = \sigma_{\mathbf{u}}^2\mathbf{I}_T$  (by the usual iterated expectations argument), and so  $\mathbf{\Lambda} = \mathrm{E}(\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_1'\mathbf{u}_1\mathbf{u}_1'\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_1) = \sigma_{\mathbf{u}}^2\mathrm{E}(\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_1'\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_1)$ . If we plug these choices of  $\mathbf{C}$ ,  $\mathbf{W}$ , and  $\mathbf{\Lambda}$  into (8.25) and simplify, we obtain

Avar 
$$\sqrt{N}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta}) = \sigma_{u}^{2} \{ E(\ddot{\mathbf{X}}_{1}'\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_{1}) [E(\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_{1}'\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_{1})]^{-1} E(\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_{1}'\ddot{\mathbf{X}}_{1}) \}^{-1}$$
.

c. The argument is very similar to the case of the fixed effects estimator. First,  $\sum_{t=1}^{T} \mathbf{E}(\ddot{u}_{it}^2) = (T-1)\sigma_u^2$ , just as before. If  $u_{it} = \ddot{y}_{it} - \ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{it}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ 

are the pooled 2SLS residuals applied to the time-demeaned data, then  $[N(T-1)]^{-1}\sum_{i=1}^{N}\sum_{t=1}^{T}\hat{u}_{it}^2$  is a consistent estimator of  $\sigma_u^2$ . Typically, N(T-1) would be replaced by N(T-1) - K as a degrees of freedom adjustment.

d. From Problem 5.1 (which is purely algebraic, and so applies immediately to pooled 2SLS), the 2SLS estimator of all parameters in (11.81), including  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ , can be obtained as follows: first run the regression  $\mathbf{x}_{it}$  on  $dl_i$ , ...,  $dN_i$ ,  $\mathbf{z}_{it}$  across all t and i, and obtain the residuals, say  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_{it}$ ; second, obtain  $\hat{c}_1$ , ...,  $\hat{c}_N$ ,  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$  from the pooled regression  $y_{it}$  on  $dl_i$ , ...,  $dN_i$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_{it}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_{it}$ . Now, by algebra of partial regression,  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$  and the coefficient on  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_{it}$ , say  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\delta}}$ , from this last regression can be obtained by first partialling out the dummy variables,  $dl_i$ , ...,  $dN_i$ . As we know from Chapter 10, this partialling out is equivalent to time demeaning all variables. Therefore,  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$  and  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\delta}}$  can be obtained from the pooled regression  $y_{it}$  on  $y_{it}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_{it}$ , where we use the fact that the time average of  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_{it}$  for each i is identically zero.

Now consider the 2SLS estimator of  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  from (11.79). This is equivalent to first regressing  $\ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{it}$  on  $\ddot{\mathbf{z}}_{it}$  and saving the residuals, say  $\hat{\mathbf{s}}_{it}$ , and then running the OLS regression  $\ddot{y}_{it}$  on  $\ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{it}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{s}}_{it}$ . But, again by partial regression and the fact that regressing on  $dl_i$ , ...,  $dN_i$  results in time demeaning,  $\hat{\mathbf{s}}_{it} = \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{it}$  for all i and t. This proves that the 2SLS estimates of  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  from (11.79) and (11.81) are identical. (If some elements of  $\mathbf{x}_{it}$  are included in  $\mathbf{z}_{it}$ , as would usually be the case, some entries in  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_{it}$  are identically zero for all t and i. But we can simply drop those without changing any other steps in the argument.)

e. First, by writing down the first order condition for the 2SLS estimates from (11.81) (with  $dn_i$  as their own instruments, and  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{it}$  as the IVs for  $\mathbf{x}_{it}$ ), it is easy to show that  $\hat{c}_i = \bar{y}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ , where  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$  is the IV estimator

from (11.81) (and also (11.79)). Therefore, the 2SLS residuals from (11.81) are computed as  $y_{\rm it}$  -  $(\bar{y}_{\rm i} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\rm i}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})$  -  $\mathbf{x}_{\rm it}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$  =  $(y_{\rm it} - \bar{y}_{\rm i})$  -  $(\mathbf{x}_{\rm it} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\rm i})\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$  =  $\bar{y}_{\rm it}$  -  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\rm it}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ , which are exactly the 2SLS residuals from (11.79). Because the N dummy variables are explicitly included in (11.81), the degrees of freedom in estimating  $\sigma_{\rm u}^2$  from part c are properly calculated.

- f. The general, messy estimator in equation (8.27) should be used, where  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{Z}$  are replaced with  $\ddot{\mathbf{X}}$  and  $\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{W}} = (\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}'\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}/N)^{-1}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{\dot{\mathbf{1}}} = \ddot{\mathbf{y}}_{\dot{\mathbf{1}}} \ddot{\mathbf{X}}_{\dot{\mathbf{1}}}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ , and  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\Lambda}} = \begin{bmatrix} N^{-1} \sum\limits_{i=1}^{N} \ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_{\dot{\mathbf{1}}}'\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{\dot{\mathbf{1}}}\dot{\mathbf{u}}_{\dot{\mathbf{1}}}'\ddot{\mathbf{Z}}_{\dot{\mathbf{1}}} \end{bmatrix}$ .
- g. The 2SLS procedure is inconsistent as  $N \to \infty$  with fixed T, as is any IV method that uses time-demeaning to eliminate the unobserved effect. This is because the time-demeaned IVs will generally be correlated with some elements of  $\mathbf{u}_i$  (usually, all elements).
- 11.11. Differencing twice and using the resulting cross section is easily done in Stata. Alternatively, I can used fixed effects on the first differences:
- . gen cclscrap = clscrap clscrap[ $_n-1$ ] if d89 (417 missing values generated)
- . gen ccgrnt = cgrant cgrant[\_n-1] if d89
  (314 missing values generated)
- . gen ccgrnt\_1 = cgrant\_1 cgrant\_1[\_n-1] if d89
  (314 missing values generated)
- . reg cclscrap ccgrnt ccgrnt\_1

Source	l SS	df	MS		Number of		
	+			_	F( 2,	51) =	0.97
Model	.958448372	2	.479224186	5	Prob > F	=	0.3868
Residual	25.2535328	51	.49516731	1	R-squared	=	0.0366
	+			_	Adj R-squa	ared =	-0.0012
Total	26.2119812	53	.494565682	2	Root MSE	=	.70368
cclscrap	l Coef	Std.	Err	t P>1	+1 [95% Cd	nf. Tr	tervall

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ccgrnt   .156	.2632934	0.594	0.555	3721087	.6850584
ccgrnt_1   .609	9015 .6343411	0.961	0.341	6635913	1.883394
_cons  237	17384 .1407363	-1.689	0.097	5202783	.0448014

. xtreg clscrap d89 cgrant cgrant\_1, fe

			Fixed-effects (within) regression
sd(u_fcode)	=	.509567	Number of obs = $108$
sd(e_fcode_t)	=	.4975778	n = 54
sd(e_fcode_t + u_fcode)	=	.7122094	T = 2
corr(u_fcode, Xb)	=	-0.4011	R-sq within = 0.0577
			between = $0.0476$
			overall = 0.0050
			F(3, 51) = 1.04
			Prob > F = 0.3826

clscrap	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf.	Interval]
d89   cgrant   cgrant_1   _cons	2377385 .1564748 .6099016 2240491	.1407362 .2632934 .6343411 .114748	-1.689 0.594 0.961 -1.953	0.097 0.555 0.341 0.056	5202783 3721087 6635913 4544153	.0448014 .6850584 1.883394 .0063171
fcode		F(53,51) =	1.674	0.033	(54 ca	tegories)

The estimates from the random growth model are pretty bad — the estimates on the grant variables are of the wrong sign — and they are very imprecise. The joint F test for the 53 different intercepts is significant at the 5% level, so it is hard to know what to make of this. It does cast doubt on the standard unobserved effects model without a random growth term.

# 11.13. To be added.

## 11.15. To be added.

11.17. To obtain (11.55), we use (11.54) and the representation  $\sqrt{N}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{FE} - \boldsymbol{\beta}) = \mathbf{A}^{-1}(N^{-1/2}\sum_{i=1}^{N}\ddot{\mathbf{X}}_{i}'\mathbf{u}_{i}) + o_{p}(1)$ . Simple algebra and standard properties of  $O_{p}(1)$  and  $O_{p}(1)$  give

$$\sqrt{N}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}) = N^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} [(\mathbf{Z}_{i}' \mathbf{Z}_{i})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}_{i}' (\mathbf{y}_{i} - \mathbf{X}_{i} \boldsymbol{\beta}) - \boldsymbol{\alpha}] 
- \left(N^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (\mathbf{Z}_{i}' \mathbf{Z}_{i})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}_{i}' \mathbf{X}_{i}\right) \sqrt{N} (\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{FE} - \boldsymbol{\beta}) 
= N^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (\mathbf{S}_{i} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}) - \mathbf{C} \mathbf{A}^{-1} N^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \ddot{\mathbf{X}}_{i}' \mathbf{u}_{i} + o_{p}(1)$$

where  $\mathbf{C} \equiv \mathrm{E}\left[\left(\mathbf{Z}_{i}^{\prime}\mathbf{Z}_{i}\right)^{-1}\mathbf{Z}_{i}^{\prime}\mathbf{X}_{i}\right]$  and  $\mathbf{s}_{i} \equiv \left(\mathbf{Z}_{i}^{\prime}\mathbf{Z}_{i}\right)^{-1}\mathbf{Z}_{i}^{\prime}\left(\mathbf{y}_{i} - \mathbf{X}_{i}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)$ . By definition,  $\mathrm{E}\left(\mathbf{s}_{i}\right)$ 

=  $\alpha$ . By combining terms in the sum we have

$$\sqrt{N}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}) = N^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} [(\mathbf{s}_{i} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}) - \mathbf{C} \mathbf{A}^{-1} \ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{i}' \mathbf{u}_{i}] + o_{p}(1),$$

which implies by the central limit theorem and the asymptotic equivalence lemma that  $\sqrt{N}(\hat{\alpha} - \alpha)$  is asymptotically normal with zero mean and variance  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}_i\mathbf{r}_i')$ , where  $\mathbf{r}_i \equiv (\mathbf{s}_i - \alpha) - \mathbf{C}\mathbf{A}^{-1}\ddot{\mathbf{X}}_i'\mathbf{u}_i$ . If we replace  $\alpha$ ,  $\mathbf{C}$ ,  $\mathbf{A}$ , and  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  with their consistent estimators, we get exactly (11.55), sincethe  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_i$  are the FE residuals.